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Paris, To-day.
"The Italian action in Albania is part of the great German-Italian 'drang nach osten' towards the Balkans," says "Le Temps."
The paper publishes an unusually violent and embittered article against Italy.
Rome, it says, has made Berlin's methods its own.—Trans-Ocean.

SWIFT STEPS BY AXIS FEARED IN BALKANS

Bucharest, To-day.

There is speculation in many circles here on the possibility of swift moves by Germany and Italy following the invasion of Albania.

It is even suggested in quarters friendly to the Axis powers that on Hitler's birthday (April 20), Germany is putting forward a plan for bringing the whole Balkan Peninsula into a "federal economic system."

In official circles in Sofia, it is stated that Bulgaria intends to continue to co-operate with the other Balkan countries and help in efforts to preserve peace. It is added that she will support the slogan "The Balkans for the Balkans."

A disturbing aspect of the situation in Bulgaria is rumours in Macedonian circles with Italian connections that Italy's next step will be the formation of an autonomous Macedonia under her protection for the minorities in Yugo-Slavia, Greece and Bulgaria.—Reuter.

London, To-day.
Although there is no reason to doubt that the Italians have occupied all principal points in Albania, the situation remains somewhat obscure as a rigid press control has been imposed since the capture of Tirana and nothing is coming out except Italian official statements.

From Belgrade it is learned that Italian troops have appeared at Albanian border towns and although all resistance has not yet ceased, it is clear that the Italians are masters of the country.

Observers, official and unofficial, are now watching every step with the closest attention, as it is generally recognised that Italy has greatly strengthened her position in the Mediterranean as a result of the aggression.

Yugo-Slavia is described as a prisoner of the Axis, hemmed in as she is on all sides.

Italy's pretexts for action are dismissed as blatantly inadequate, and there is increasing disposition to view the occupation as a preliminary step in a more serious campaign soon to be embarked upon. Italy has gained a valuable strategic position in readiness for future action.

NO FURTHER DISGUISE

There is no further attempt, says one London commentator, to disguise the fact that Germany and Italy are planning the complete domination of Europe.

Meanwhile, speculation is centred chiefly upon the reason for the increasing Italian military concentration at Brindisi.

Huge war supplies are moving towards the port from all parts of Italy, but whether they are intended for Albania, or for some other point, remains an Italian military secret.

WHERE NEXT?

An explosion in the Balkan States is predicted in some quarters. Others seem to believe that Herr Hitler instigated the Albanian move to bind Mussolini closer to the Axis and to leave him no avenue of escape when Hitler makes his move against Poland.

TOO EARLY FOR ESTIMATE

Paris, To-day.
The French Cabinet meeting and

the deliberations of the National Defence Council last night have come too suddenly and unexpectedly to permit an estimate of their full significance to be formed.

The evening newspapers published no details of the talks.

However, political circles say the meetings were due to British initiative and that their purpose is that the French Government should declare its solidarity with Britain.

BRITAIN'S ACTION

Several newspapers suggest that Britain will reply to Italy by de-

FRANCE NOT SATISFIED BY EXPLANATIONS

Paris, To-day.

It is stated in authoritative circles that France is not satisfied with the Italian explanations of the occupation of Albania, and it is felt that any attempt on Greece or Corfu would cause the gravest international situation.

It is stated there is full accord between France and Britain.

M. Bonnet, the Foreign Minister, was in constant communication yesterday with the French Ambassadors in London and Washington. M. Daladier, the Premier, discussed the situation with Sir Eric Phipps, the British Ambassador, and M. Bonnet.

It is officially learned that the French Cabinet will meet again on Tuesday afternoon.—Reuter.

nouncing the Anglo-Italian Agreement, or by forming a Mediterranean entente.

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Beauty and You

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Girls Gain Beauty Through Definite Health Schedule

It is very gratifying to me to discover that numerous young girls are decidedly interested in knowing how to live intelligently, and in learning the valuable arts of being well poised, charming and nicely groomed. Many of them inquire about correct menus, corrective exercises, sleep, and how much make-up to use. Those girls are going to be the beauties of their day!

Fundamental Health Laws

We may resent our parents telling us that early to bed and early to rise makes us—you know! But it is the truth. Girls who are still in their teens are storing up beauty by getting to bed before ten o'clock pretty regularly and sleeping until six thirty, or seven. From eight to nine hours of rest in a well-ventilated room are very essential to the maturing beauty! Of course, occasionally there will be an exception when our lassie must stay up later, but those in their early 'teens should strive to make late dates on weekend nights so they may sleep the following mornings.

Nourishing food served at regular intervals, regular exercise preferably out in the fresh air, are also "musts" for sound development.

Three miles walking a day is just about right, but if this is not possible, the young girl should do ten-minute exercises night and morning near an open window and out of a draft.

All food should be eaten slowly and each day's menus should include fresh or stewed fruits, fresh vegetables (many of them raw), meat or fish, eggs, one quart of milk and about six glasses of water taken before or after meals—not during meals. Fried food, highly seasoned food, pastries, candies, hot breads and other sweets should be avoided. This is possibly the hardest of all the health rules for young girls to obey! But they should obey it if they want their complexion to be clear and beautiful, and their hair lustrous and of good colour.

Should Develop A Hobby

Every young girl should have a hobby. It may be a sport such as tennis, riding, golf, badminton, swimming or hiking. Or it may be a keen interest in one of the arts. At any rate she should have a very definite interest other than her school work, her home and her friends. Hobbies should be started while you are still young and mastered during maturing years. They bring you into a social group, keep your mind alert and afford you great pleasure—all of which are necessary to round out your personality.

Make-Up Inconsequential

As long as young things groom themselves thoroughly and regularly, make-up is only incidental. Nothing is more distressing to persons of good taste than to see a



The exquisite loveliness of youthful Jean Arthur is kept freshly fascinating by her intelligent daily health schedule. A wise little beauty is she!

girl wearing inappropriate make-up, too blatant for her tender years.

If I were in my 'teens to-day I would boast loudly of using only lipstick and nail polish—both in shades flattering to my general colouring. Of course, I would take care of my skin and hair with

beauty aids, but I would get along without rouge, eye make-up, heavy powder and other artifices except for special, special parties when I wanted desperately to be a bit grown-up! Even then I would use all make-up sparingly—making it enhance my young beauty and not allow it to cover it!

New Princess Frock

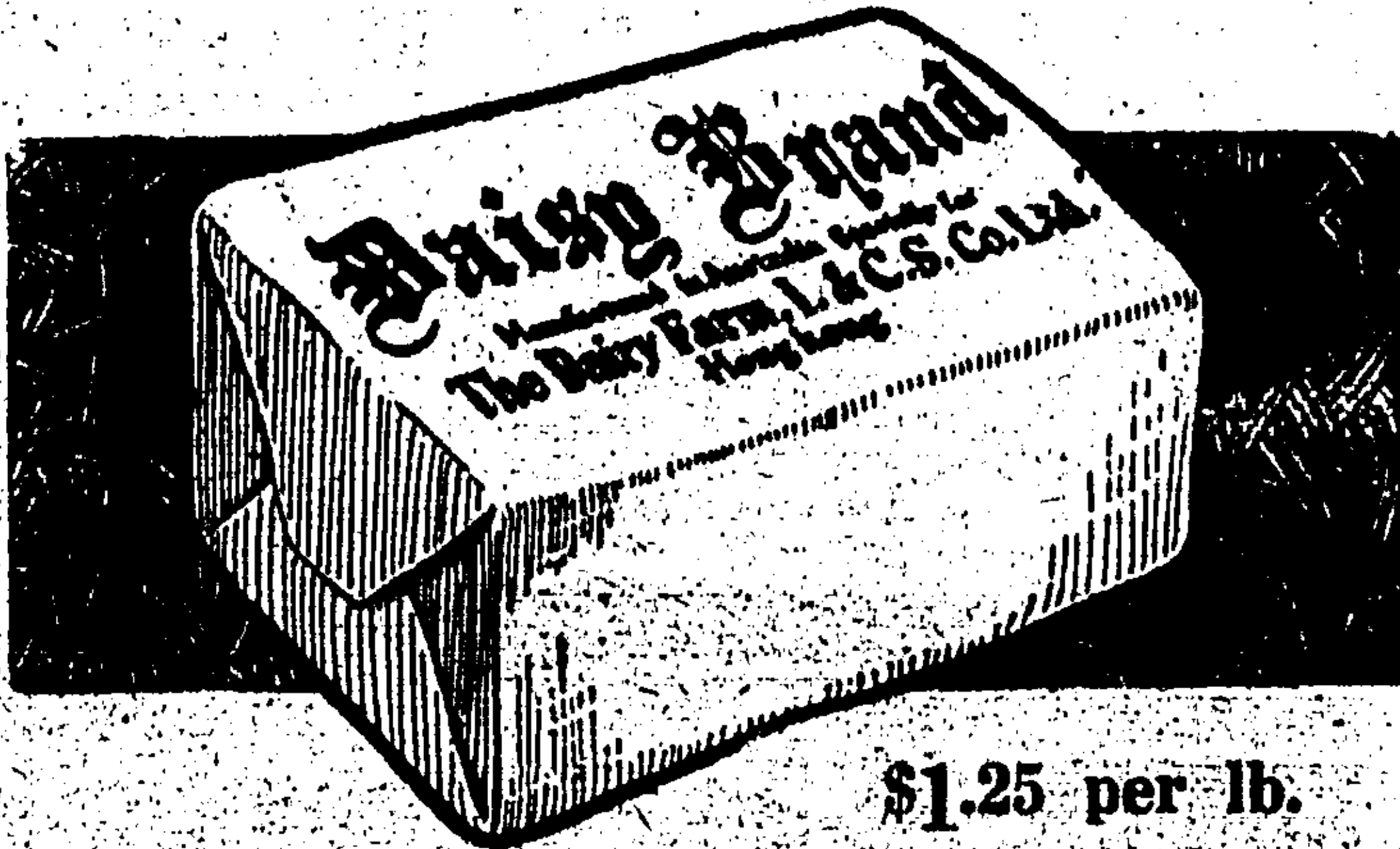
And of course you simply have to have a new princess dress! The princess style rides high on the crest of popularity, and this design is an exceptionally good version of it, having just enough fullness at the hem, just enough width at the shoulders, to stress the charm of a slim and lissome waist. The heart-shaped neckline, scalloped closing and trimming make it youthful and gay.

But the nicest thing about this design is its adaptability. You can wear it as is, or make it more

dressy by getting some dainty guimpes and vestees of organdy or pique to wear with it. Or give it a more casual air by wearing a tucked in scarf, and a ribbon round your hat to match the scarf. Choose thin wool, flat crepe, sharkskin or print for this princess; it will be a perfect fashion this summer.

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What The Stars Foretell

By MARY BLARE

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pating an early engagement, must guard against a lapse of memory in the matters of a birthday remembrance or a sentimental promise of any kind.

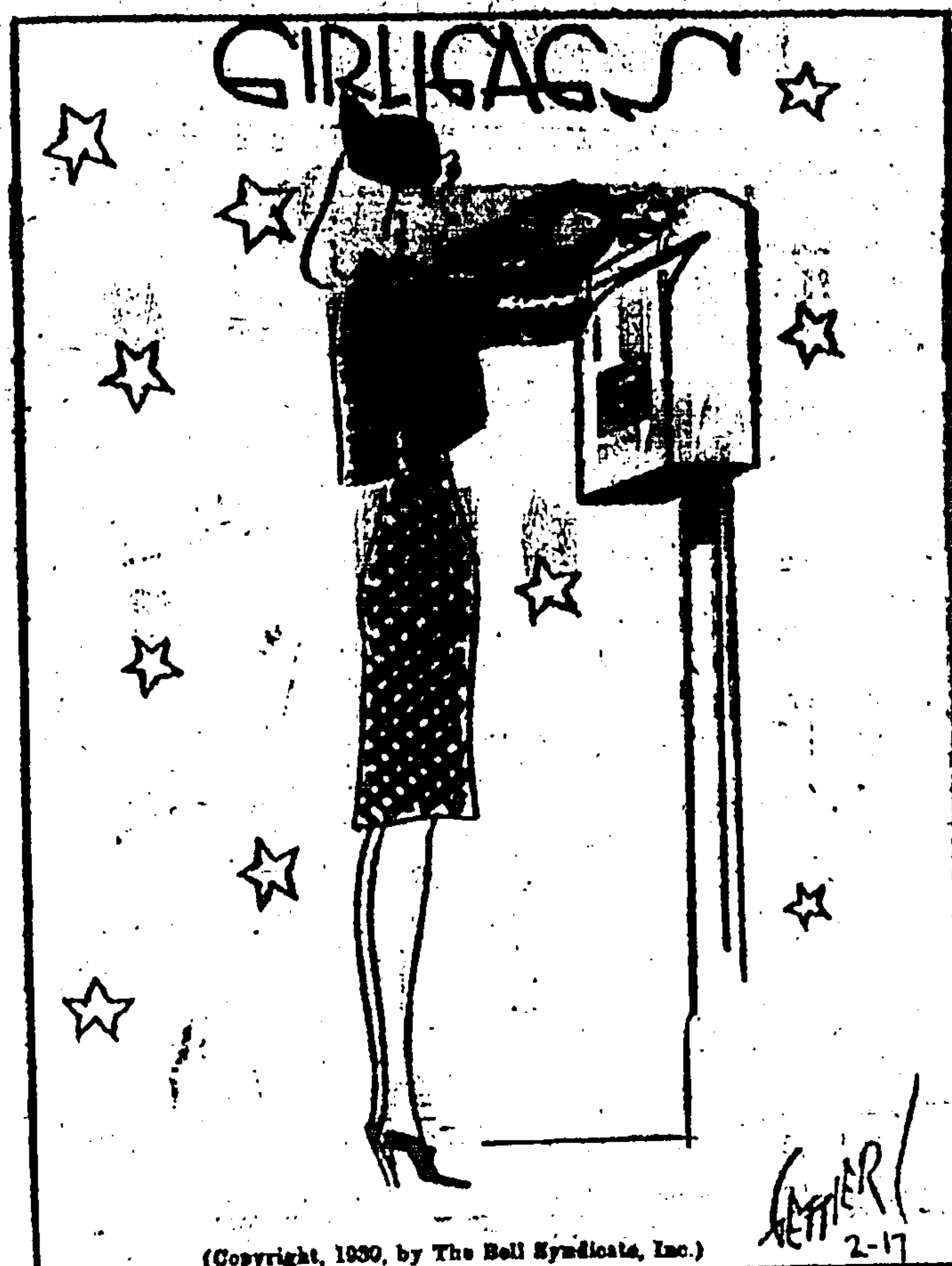
If a woman and April 10 is your birthday, your judgment in social or business matters ought to be exceptional. Your financial problems are apt to be easily solved. Through work of an educational, literary, commercial, artistic or theatrical nature a contented frame of mind and a well-filled purse should make you well satisfied. Household and matrimonial affairs, in all likelihood, will prosper for you.

The child born on April 10 generally has a marked aptitude for work that requires mental, rather than physical exertion. This child apparently will have a very sentimental nature, and seems destined to have a great deal of love and attention showered upon it.

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Be among the first to wear this perfectly charming fashion. All through the Spring and Summer you'll enjoy this delightful idea. You can wear the hood in soft drapery at your back, romantic-looking and lovely—or you can draw it up over your head when you don't want to bother with a hat. It's devastatingly becoming that way!

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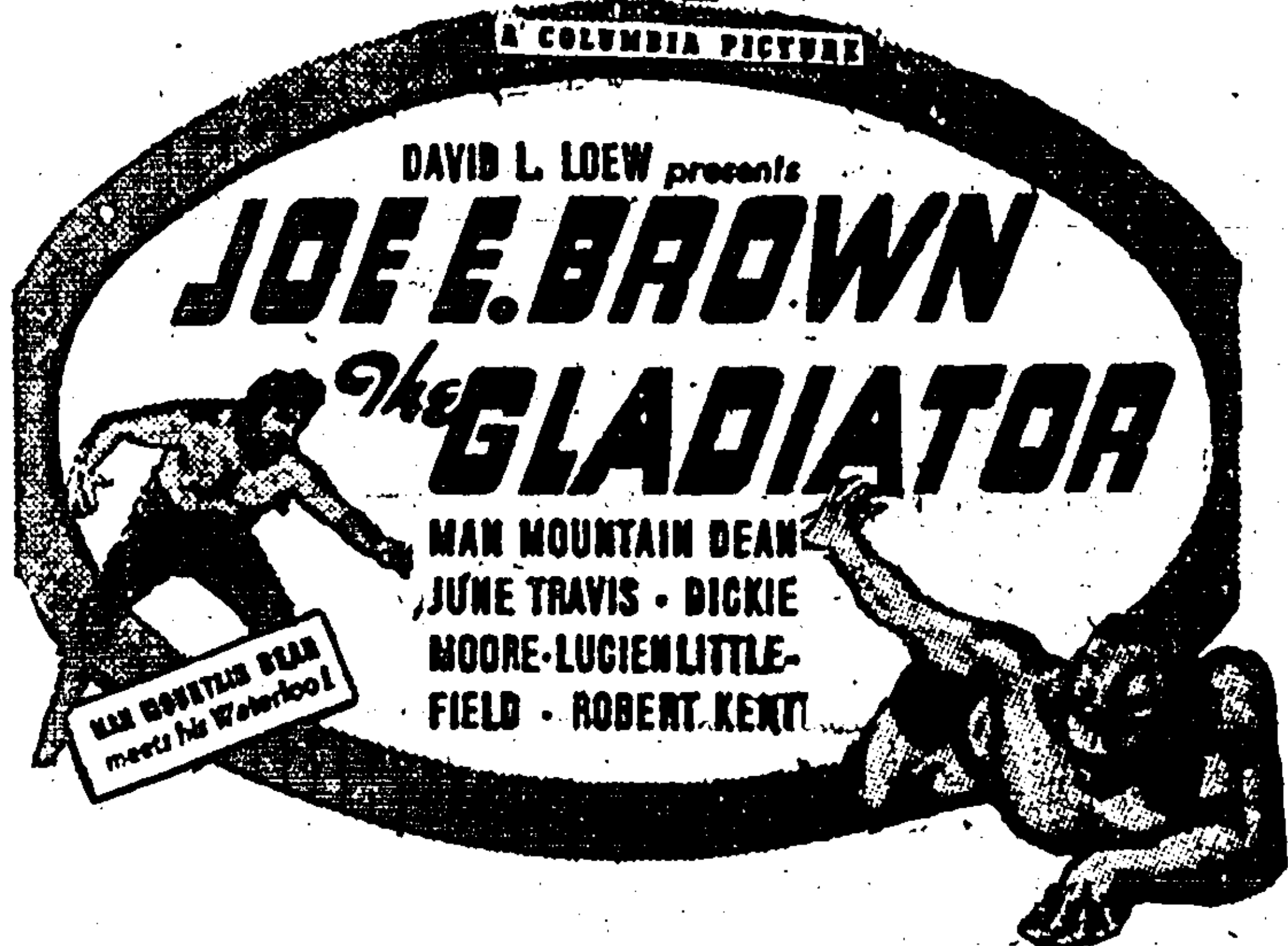
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Chinese Hit Back In Han River Battle Zone

Ichang, To-day.

A series of counter-strokes by Chinese forces along the central Hupeh front has restored several key positions west of the Han River to Chinese hands during the week-end and brought the defenders once more within striking distance of Chungsiang, important stronghold on the eastern brink of the river.

Singtsi, a small village three miles of Chungsiang, has been re-taken. The Chinese also attacked the Japanese posts at Chenkiatien and Tungwan and re-occupied both places, forcing the enemy to retire to Chungsiang.

At the same time, another Chinese column turned the flank of the Japanese forces east of Chungsiang and cut the Japanese rear at Siaokiatien.

To the east of Chukow, the Chinese forces have recaptured a cluster of heights commanding the town. Forcing their way across the river, Chinese forces also re-occupied a number of crossings on the east bank in the vicinity of Saokiakow crossing.

During each of the engagements which preceded the Chinese successes, considerable numbers of Japanese casualties were inflicted and war supplies seized.

YINGSHAN COVERED

To the northeast of Yingshan, the Chinese have surrounded Hsukapu and Hinglungtien, and killed several scores of Japanese soldiers there. The Chinese are also launching an attack on Kiukiapo, east of Hinglungtien.

The city of Yingshan is now practically under Chinese control, being surrounded on the east, west and north.

To the west of Anlu, on the Yingcheng-Yingshan highway, Chinese forces commenced a vigorous attack on Pingpa last Sunday. The town is expected to return to Chinese hands shortly.—Central News.

FASCISTS SEEKING POWER IN S. AMERICA

PHILADELPHIA, PENN.

APRIL 1.

THE ROME-BERLIN AXIS HAS DEFINITE AMBITIONS IN CERTAIN PARTS OF THE AMERICAN CONTINENT, MR. DAVID EFRON, SECRETARY OF THE PAN-AMERICAN COMMITTEE FOR DEMOCRACY, DECLARED TO-DAY IN A LECTURE BEFORE THE LOCAL ACADEMY OF POLITICAL SCIENCE.

The lecturer produced maps showing alleged German claims to certain parts of Peru, Brazil, Argentine and also of the Antarctic Continent.

Germany controls in Brazil 39 airports leased by the Condor Company, a subsidiary of the powerful Lufthansa concern, Mr. Efron further declared.

He also alleged that the German Government obtained from Peru the lease on the harbour of Malabrigo, where a German naval base is being established. Malabrigo is at a striking distance from the Panama Canal which thus comes under the threat of German attacks from the air.

Italy's influence in Peru is also extremely strong. Mr. Efron explained: Italian interests manage a big factory located near Lima and producing air bombers, while Italian banks control over 50% of all financial transactions in that country.—Havas.

Fascist Designs In West

Philadelphia, April 1.

The Rome-Berlin Axis has definite ambitions over certain parts of the American continent, Mr. David Efron, Secretary of the Pan-American Committee for Democracy declared in a lecture before the Academy of Political Science here.

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SHANGHAI GAOLS OVERFLOWING

Shanghai, To-day.

The French Concession authorities announced yesterday that over 1,000 prisoners are shortly to be released, owing to congestion in the Concession's gaol.

Most short-termed prisoners will be released.—Our Own Correspondent.

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"World's Clumsiest Spy Force"

NIPPON ESPIONAGE SYSTEM CONDEMNED BY JOURNALIST

"Hallett Abend, correspondent in China for the New York Times... has exposed the Japanese spy system. He has also denounced the gendarmerie department of the Special Service Section of the Imperial Japanese Army as the most clumsy, ignorant and bungling organization of its kind among the world's armed forces. And, to the everlasting embarrassment of the Japanese military services, Mr. Abend quotes numerous Japanese officials as admitting the accuracy of his accusations."

This statement is made in an editorial in the China Weekly Review.

According to Mr. Abend, "the term 'Japanese Spy,' which has come to be a national joke in America, is no longer a humorous matter, since most of China coastal provinces and great cities are held by the invaders," says the Review.

"WHISPERING TERROR"

Among the Chinese and Japanese spy menace has developed into a "whispering terror," while among foreigners, "the activities of these omnipresent and fumbling sleuths... has become something to worry about, instead of a never-ending source of quips and humorous anecdotes," the newspaperman declared.

Trotsky's Grandson Kidnapped

Paris, March 26.

Leon Trotsky's thirteen-years-old grandson, Ceva, was kidnapped to-day from the villa at Guebville, Alsace, where he was being brought up by a devoted French woman, Mme. Jeanne Martin Desvallieres.

Madame Desvallieres told the police that she believes the boy is being taken by kidnappers to Mexico, where Trotsky now lives.

Early this morning a car drove up to the house at Guebville. A fashionably dressed woman and a man wearing police uniform presented a court order stating that the boy should be handed over to them. Little Ceva was handed over to them and has not been seen since.

The French police believe that the kidnappers may be a gang which has already threatened Trotsky with this action.

Ceva is the natural son of Trotsky's daughter, Zinaida. She died in Berlin in 1933.

NEW AMERICAN EXPLOSIVE

Baltimore, Md., Apr. 3.

A new type of explosive, considered of major importance from a military point of view, has been discovered by Professor Henry Bass of Purdue University, it was revealed at the annual congress of the American Chemical Society here to-day.

The new explosive is said to be a combination of nitrogen and hydrocarbons, which produces a substance containing enormous reserves of molecular energy.—Havas.

In Mr. Abend's opinion no one, except a handful highly placed Japanese, knows any of the details of the organization of the spy ring, nor the size or scope of activities of the so-called gendarmes.

After citing numerous experiences with Japanese spies and gendarmes in Manchuria, Korea and Japan proper, some humorous and some not so humorous, Mr. Abend told of the persecutions to which many foreign travellers in Japan subjected.

SPIES SAID RUDE

In final comment, the writer said that the Japanese Consul-General, Mr. Hidaka, admitted that the Japanese gendarmerie and spy forces are made up mostly of ignorant and rude men, who have no capacity for judgment," states the Review.

DE VALERA SAYS N. IRELAND IS PART OF EIRE

LONDON, APR. 3.

ACCORDING TO WELL-INFORMED QUARTERS HERE, THE PREMIER OF EIRE, MR. EAMON DE VALERA, REITERATED HIS CLAIMS IN THE MATTER OF THE UNIFICATION OF THE TWO IRELANDS AT HIS RECENT MEETING AT CHEQUERS WITH MR. NEVILLE CHAMBERLAIN.

Mr. Chamberlain is said to have promised to examine the claims immediately, and then considered the development of the international situation and Ireland's attitude in the event of hostilities breaking out.

In this connection, it was pointed out that the Eire Government has decided to create a special section in the Ministry of Commerce and Industry which will be entrusted with problems pertaining to supplies in time of war.

Plans under consideration call for the stocking of 50,000 tons of wheat and the substituting of products such as oil to a system of rations.

On the other hand, the Government is studying certain requests made by leading European industrialists desirous of setting branches of their industry in Eire owing to the difficult situation in the Continent.—Havas.

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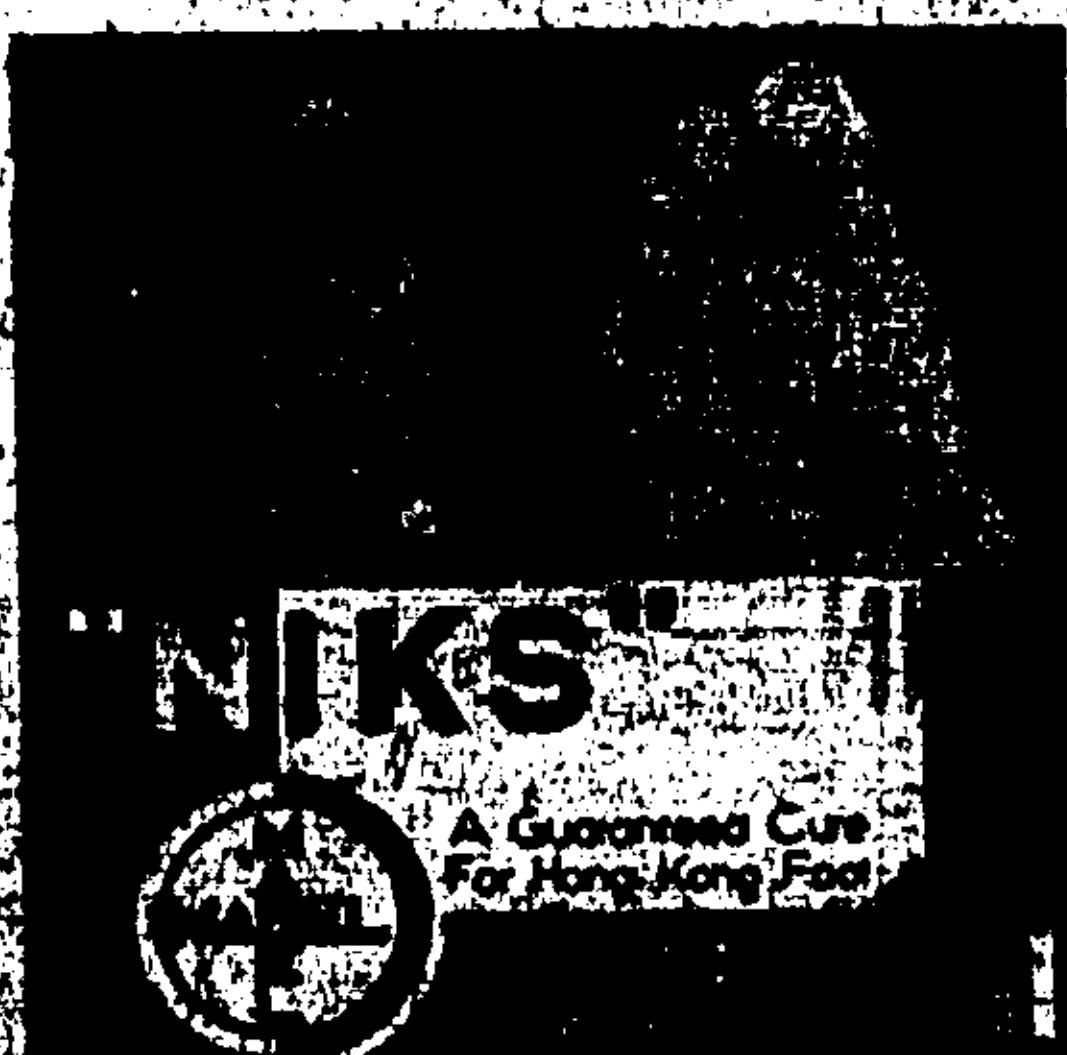
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ITALY MAY PROCLAIM ALBANIA AS ITALIAN MANDATED TERRITORY

Rome, To-day.

The British Ambassador, Lord Perth, yesterday afternoon called on the Foreign Minister, Count Ciano, for information on the events in Albania.

It is gathered that a full explanation was given him, though no further details are available.

The fact that a purely Albanian administrative committee has been established in Tirana to run the country, is regarded as tending to show that there is as yet no intention of proclaiming Albania an integral part of the Italian Empire.

Such reports are described in official circles as tendentious and wholly unfounded.

ANGLO-ITALIAN AGREEMENT

Unofficial circles believe no decision will be taken for some time until a clear idea is available of the reaction of Britain and France, and the world generally, towards the occupation of Albania.

Signor Gayda, writing in "Voce d'Italia," declares that if Britain chooses to consider Italy's action a breach of the Anglo-Italian Agreement, she is free to do so, and Italy would adapt her future attitude thereafter.

A MANDATE?

This is taken to mean that denunciation of the Agreement by Britain might lead to immediate proclamation of Albania as Italian territory.

At the moment it looks as if Italy will proclaim Albania mandated territory, and that all idea of conquest will be ridiculed.—Reuter.

BULGARIAN LABOUR FOR GERMANY

Sofia, To-day.

Bulgaria is the latest country to supply the Nazis with agricultural labour, of which there is a serious shortage in Germany.

By an agreement reached here on Saturday, several thousand Bulgarian labourers are to be sent to Germany where they will work on farms.—Trans-Ocean.

KING ZOG BOUND FOR ATHENS

Salonika, To-day.

Headed by King Zog, Queen Geraldine, with members of the Albanian Government, proceeded from Florina by train towards Larissa, on the railway line to Athens, without stopping here.

In Athens it is understood that King Zog and Queen Geraldine will leave Greece very soon.—Reuter.

MUSSOLINI TO FLY TO TIRANA

Rome, To-day.

It is believed that, weather conditions being favourable, Mussolini intends to leave for Tirana this morning (Monday).—Reuter.

VON CRAMM WINS EGYPTIAN TENNIS TITLE

Alexandria, To-day.

Baron Gottfried von Cramm (Germany) beat W. D. McNeill (U.S.A.) in the final of the Egyptian Singles Tennis Championship here yesterday.

Baron von Cramm, who was playing in his first tournament since his imprisonment by the Nazis, won by 7-5, 6-2, 6-3, 6-2.

The Women's Singles was won by Miss Curtis (Great Britain) who beat Miss J. R. Harman (Ireland) 6-2, 6-4.

G. P. Hughes (Britain) and von Cramm won the Men's Doubles.—Reuter.

MILD PANIC IN FRENCH TOWN

Paris, To-day.

"Hitler is marching on Paris." These words, uttered by a not too sober private of the 20th Regiment of Dragoons, caused a mild panic in the village of Ribieres, near Limoges, yesterday, according to the "Petit Parisien."

The soldier arrived in the village by car and told the villagers war had broken out and Hitler was marching on the capital.

He had arrived in the village, he said, to organise resistance.

Arrested by gendarmes the soldier admitted his practical joke.—Trans-Ocean.

GREEKS RALLY

Paris, To-day.

The Greek Minister in Paris has been informed by all Greek political exiles in France that they have abandoned all opposition to the existing government in Greece, and urge the need of national unity in the face of the Italian threat.

LINDBERGH SAILS

Paris, To-day.

Colonel Charles A. Lindbergh sailed on board the "Aquitania" from Cherbourg for the United States on Saturday.—Trans-Ocean.

Significant Diplomatic Activity In London Yesterday

LORD HALIFAX TALKS WITH GREEK MINISTER

London, To-day.

There was considerable and significant diplomatic activity in London throughout Sunday.

The Foreign Secretary, Lord Halifax, in the morning had conversations with the Greek Minister, M. Simopoulos, Mr. Neville Chamberlain (who was called back from his Scottish holiday), and the French Ambassador, M. Corbin.

In the afternoon, Lord Halifax, accompanied by Sir Alexander Cadogan, Permanent Under-Secretary at the Foreign Office, visited the offices of the Committee of Imperial Defence.

There they had a conference with Viscount Gort, Chief of the Imperial General Staff, and Vice-Admiral Cunningham, Deputy Chief of Naval Staff.

In Paris, the French permanent Committee of National Defence met yesterday afternoon at the War Ministry under the presidency of the Premier, M. Edouard Daladier.

The meeting was attended by M. Georges Bonnet (Foreign Minister), General Gamelin (Chief of General Staff), M. Campinchi (Minister of Marine), M. Guy La Chambre (Air Minister), Vice-Admiral Darlan (Chief of the Naval General Staff) and General Vuillemin (Chief of the Air General Staff). — Reuter.

All through the day there were large crowds in Whitehall and Downing Street to watch the movements of Ministers.

GUARANTEE FOR GREECE?

London, To-day.

Downing Street yesterday witnessed its busiest Easter for many a year, and perhaps in the whole of its history.

At 7 a.m. Mr. Neville Chamberlain arrived from Scotland, and at noon he received the Foreign Secretary, Lord Halifax. Their talk lasted 20 minutes.

After the Greek Minister had called at Foreign Office, Mr. Chamberlain and Lord Halifax are said to have discussed a British guarantee for Greece.

Lord Halifax then returned to the Foreign Office, where he remained for a long time at work without receiving visitors.

It is stated that the Foreign Secretary had a long series of conversations with Foreign Office experts on Mediterranean and Near East affairs. — Trans-Ocean.

BRITAIN'S MESSAGE TO FRANCE

Paris, To-day.

Contrary to the original assumption that the French Cabinet would not meet till Wednesday a Council of Ministers was summoned yesterday to meet in the Ministry for War at 6.30 p.m. under the chairmanship of M. Daladier.

Before this Council, M. Bonnet and M. Daladier arranged to meet at 4.45 p.m.

Immediately after the close of the Council a conversation took place between M. Bonnet and the British Ambassador, Sir Eric Phipps.

It is considered that precautionary measures for national security are being decided upon.

Immediate occasion for the calling of the Cabinet meeting earlier than intended was that the First Secretary of the British Embassy Mr. W. N. D. Black, paid a visit to M. Bonnet yesterday morning and obviously delivered a weighty communication from the British Government.

M. Bonnet then went to the Elysee Palace to inform the French President of the purport of the communication. — Trans-Ocean.

JAPAN STUDIES SITUATION

Tokyo, To-day.

Long conferences between leading Ministers, including the Prime Minister and Defence Ministers, continue in reference to the situation in Europe.

Well-informed circles state that the issue under discussion is whether Japan will throw in her lot finally with the Axis Powers, or observe neutrality, and present indications are that Japan will decide to sit on the fence. — Our Own Correspondent.

COUNT CIANO FLIES BACK

Rome, To-day.

Count Ciano returned from Tirana by plane at 1.30 p.m. yesterday. Trans-Ocean learns from a source usually well informed. Immediately after his arrival in Rome Ciano had a long conversation with the British Ambassador, Lord Perth. — Trans-Ocean.

BRITISH MINISTER SAFE

London, To-day.

Anxiety for the safety of Sir A. Ryan, British Minister to Albania, has been dispelled.

A number of letters from him, dated from Durazzo, the Albanian port, have now been received in London. — Reuter.

ITALIANS REACH SOUTHERN ALBANIA

Rome, To-day.

A communique from Tirana states that Italian mechanised troops have occupied Argyro Castro, in Southern Albania.

Another communique states that an Albanian administrative committee, composed of "eminent Albanian officials and dignitaries," has taken over the administration of Albania temporarily.

The Italian Foreign Minister, Count Ciano, yesterday returned to Rome by air from Tirana and immediately called at the Palazzo Chigi. — Reuter.

SWEDEN PLUMPS FOR NEUTRALITY

STOCKHOLM, TO-DAY.

"THE RISKS OF A POLICY OF COLLABORATION WITH POWERS OTHER THAN THOSE OF THE NORTH ARE TOO GREAT AND THE GUARANTEES TOO UNCERTAIN," DECLARED MR. SKOELD, SWEDISH MINISTER OF DEFENCE, IN A SPEECH YESTERDAY.

He added: "Neutrality is a natural attitude for our country."

Mr. Skoeld emphasised the need for calm at present, and declared "The chances of success in defence against possible aggression are just as great as the risks of failure."

Concluding, Mr. Skoeld dwelt on the strength of Sweden's defence. — Reuter.

200 CASUALTIES IN JAP. RAID ON YUSHAN

Yushan, To-day.

More than 200 civilians were killed and maimed in Yushan, on the Chekiang-Kiangsi Railway in east Kiangsi, in a terrific air raid staged by nine Japanese bombers yesterday.

Some 300 shops and residences were levelled to the ground.

The raiders, flying from Hangchow, rained over 60 missiles in the neighbourhood of Yushan. — Reuter.

RUMANIA IN AGREEMENT WITH TURKEY

ISTANBUL, TO-DAY.

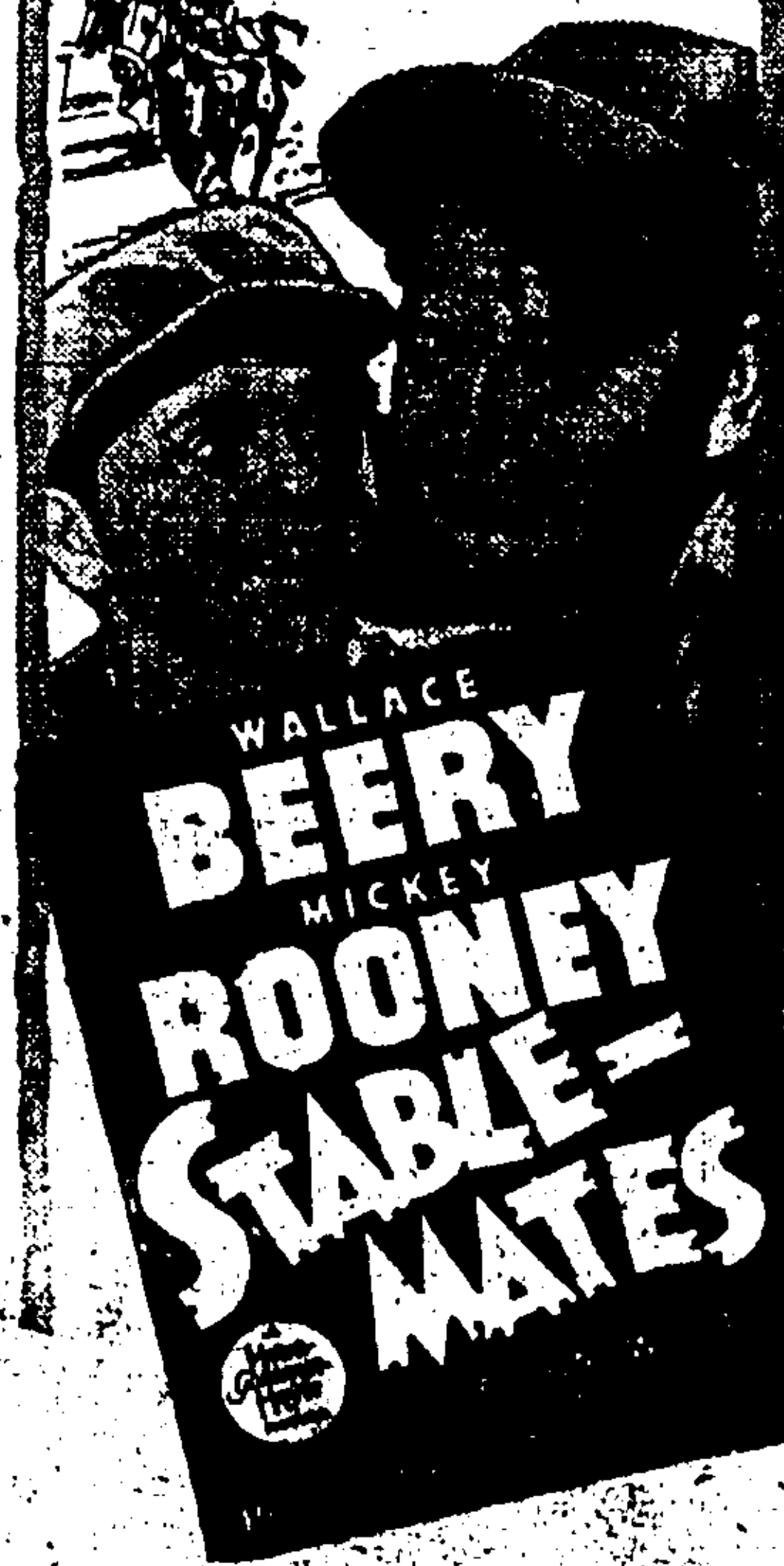
THE RUMANIAN FOREIGN MINISTER, M. GAFENCU, LEFT FOR BUCHAREST YESTERDAY AFTER HIS TALKS WITH M. SARAJOGLU, THE TURKISH FOREIGN MINISTER.

A communique states: "The two countries agreed to pursue the policy of the Balkan Entente, aiming at strengthening the security and independence of friendly and allied countries."

"They also agreed to tighten the links with neighbouring peoples in conformity with the spirit of the Salonika Pact of July, 1938, between Bulgaria and the Balkan Entente States, providing for friendly settlement of all differences through negotiations and renouncing all recourse to force." — Reuter.

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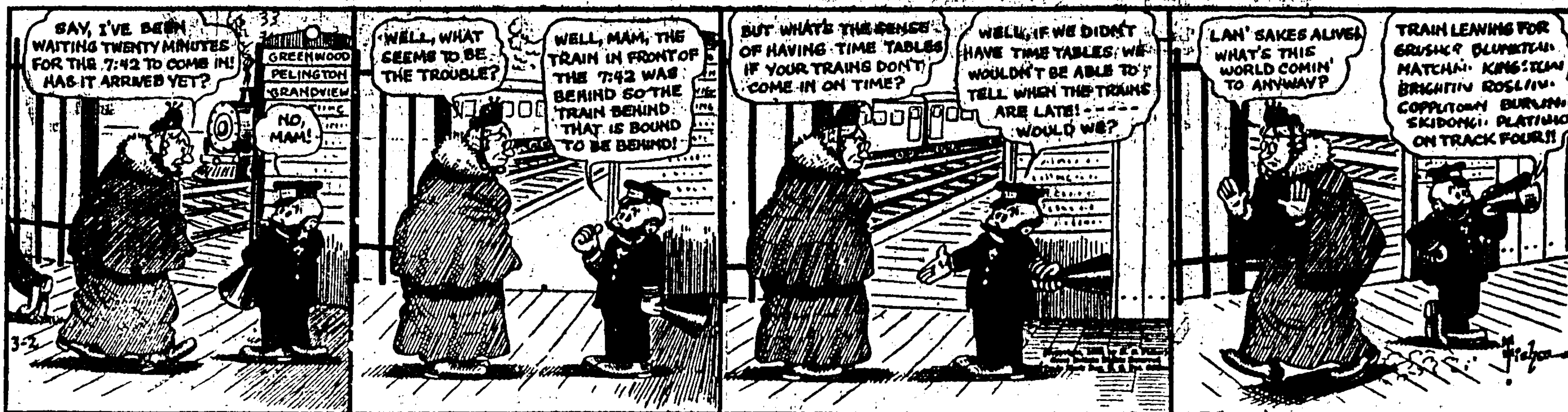
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Emmon hurled the magazine into the farthest corner of his third floor back bedroom and swore in utter disgust.

"Isn't that swell. Isn't that just dandy! So the heart-broken young man bought himself a one-way ticket to South Africa. My, my! Now that little junket must have set him back about \$180. I wonder what the dear boy would have done if he only had a buck and a quarter between himself and next week's thirty-dollar pay check?"

Emmon swung himself from the bed, crossed to the window and stood, hands deep-thrust in his trouser's pockets,

first job will be to take a trip around the world and write copy from your observations for travel literature. Fifty dollars a week and all expenses. You'll have to decide now."

Emmon steadied himself against the iron railing of the bed. Dear heaven! It was a miracle! He hadn't heard right. This couldn't be happening to him! Only a fiction writer could think up something like this. Around the world! Lord! That was better, so very much better than a mere trip to South Africa with nothing to do but think.

"Well?" said the stranger. "Does the job appeal to you?"

Emmon took an eager step forward, words of acceptance and gratitude ready to burst from his lips. He stopped. Between him and the stranger a barrier had reared itself. Elena. Leaving Elena behind. Running away from all this that had happened. Running away from a situation that had licked him, from the kidding he would be bound to get at the office, from his love for the girl. Making a coward of himself. Admitting defeat, admitting that

By Barbara Ann Benedict

staring moodily down onto the alley with its ash cans and cobble stones and unpainted board fences. Magazine writers, he thought, didn't know a great deal about real life. Either that or they ducked issues and made things easy for themselves by refusing to offer explanations to implausible situations. Their heroes, for example, never had to worry about money. When a chap got jilted by a girl he merely bought himself a ticket to South Africa and chased half way around the world to forget.

But suppose he was just a thirty-dollar a week advertising copy-writer. How then would these smart fiction writers solve the problem? Emmon's mouth screwed itself into a bitter smile. He'd like to ask them. He'd like to tell them about his own situation. He'd like to explain about Elena and himself. He's like to say: "Look here, Mr. Writer, I didn't know that Elena was the daughter of a millionaire when I fell in love with her. I thought she was just an ordinary girl. She said she loved me and I believed her. Then I found out who she was and I knew what a jackass I'd made of myself. A girl with her dough couldn't love a guy making thirty bucks a week. A chap has his pride. The thing for me to do was fade out of the picture. I ought to do like the heart-broken young man did: buy myself a one-way ticket to South Africa. Yes, that's it. All I lack is the dough. How about it, Mr. Writer, where do I get that dough?"

Footsteps sounded on the uncarpeted stairs. One flight. Two. Three. A knock sounded on Emmon's door. It opened. A man, a stranger, stepped inside.

"Are you Emmon Neathersole?"

"That's right," said Emmon. "Which one of my creditors wants to send me to jail this time?"

"I'm from the National Advertising Agency. Your entry in our copy-

he couldn't stay here and lick the thing that had almost licked him.

Suddenly he knew he couldn't do it. "No," he said dully. "No, I can't accept the job—now. I've some unfinished business to attend to."

Emmon walked into a restaurant. He didn't notice that his customary table was occupied until he had seated himself.

"Emmon."

He looked up at the girl and all the dull pain and torture, all that he had suffered in the past week was mirrored in his eyes. He had time to conceal none of it.

"Elena! What are you doing in this miserable little restaurant? Why aren't you—"

"Hush! I came because I wanted to see you." She looked at him steadily. "Emmon, why didn't you take the travelling job?"

"So you know about that, eh? How?"

"I arranged it. Oh, don't look so shocked. You were always ranting about how things turned out so conveniently in story books. I wanted you to have a story book opportunity. But you didn't take it. You didn't go away and forget. Why? Why, Emmon?"

"So that's how it was. No miracle at all. Well, you've won all the way through. You might as well know the payoff. I didn't go because I'm in love with you and it seemed like a coward's way of trying to beat the racket."

"Darling! There were tears in her eyes. 'Oh, my darling, that's what I wanted to hear. When you left me a week ago I wasn't sure. I had to know that your love was real. And now I do know—and—Oh, can't you see that what I am or what you are won't make any difference if we love each other the way we must?'"

Emmon's knuckles were white where he gripped the table. "Unfinished writer's contest didn't win first prize, business. That's why I told him I couldn't take the job. Well—I guess I judge. They seemed to think you can finish it up right here and now. And he did. I'm from the National Advertising Agency. Your entry in our copy-

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"SLIGHT EASING OF ANXIETY" REPORTED IN LONDON

Disquieting Rumours: Italian Assurances

Three Meetings At Foreign Office Yesterday

London, To-day.

The Foreign Secretary, Lord Halifax, yesterday saw the Italian charge d'affaires, Signor Crolla, who, it is understood, gave categorical assurances in regard to the limited character of the Italian action in Albania.

A number of disquieting rumours led Lord Halifax to see Signor Crolla three times yesterday. It is stated in authoritative circles that Lord Halifax left Signor Crolla in no doubt as regards the serious view of the Italian action in Albania taken by the British Government, and also in regard to the strength of British feeling on the subject.

Due note has been taken officially of the assurances given by Signor Crolla, and Lord Perth (our Ambassador in Rome) has been informed of them, as well as of the general tenor of the conversations, which, it is understood, covered any and every kind of rumour.

EFFECT ON BRITISH POLICY

It may be stated that anxieties over the situation are now somewhat less than they were in the morning.

Official circles have nothing to say on the possible effect of the

Italian action in Albania on future British policy, which will doubtless be discussed at this morning's Cabinet meeting.

The foregoing authoritative information can apparently be interpreted as indicating a slight easing of anxiety.—Reuter.

CUNARDER TAKING MORE GOLD TO AMERICA

Paris, To-day.
The Cunard liner "Aquitania" loaded at Cherbourg eight tons of gold from Switzerland and nine tons of gold from Belgium.

The gold, total value of which was 510,000,000 French francs, is destined for the Federal Reserve Bank of New York.

The steamer "Montcalm" is carrying 9,900,000 Swiss francs in gold coins from Switzerland, destined for the Royal Bank of Canada.—Trans-Ocean.

SERIOUS REACTION ON MOSLEMS

London, To-day.
A flood of reports from the Near East reveal the serious reaction on the Moslem world, caused by Mussolini's brutal invasion of Albania. Albania is predominantly Moslem and it is pointed out, caustically, that it is not so very long ago that Mussolini put himself forward as the Defender of Islam.

AMERICAN NEUTRALITY LEGISLATION

Washington, To-day.
The United States Administration will ask Congress to re-enact the present "cash and carry" clause in the Neutrality Act before it expires, according to Senator Key Pittman.
Senator Pittman said this would be proposed as a temporary measure pending final determination of the question of revising the Act.—Reuter.

ANGLO-POLISH PACT "MADE IN GERMANY"

Warsaw, To-day.

Replying to the bitter German attacks on Poland following the conclusion of the Anglo-Polish Agreement, a leading Warsaw paper says that Poland cannot see why Germany should raise any objection to a defensive pact if Germany's aims do not threaten the independence and integrity of Poland.

Another Warsaw paper declares: The London Agreement was "Made in Germany" by Herr Hitler himself.

GERMAN STUDENTS IN SLESWIG AGITATE

Copenhagen, March, 21.
The "Extrabladet," noted Copenhagen journal, announced to-day that the students from a German school in Picon, Mecklenburg, who had come to spend a holiday in Danish Sleswig, are carrying out an agitation in favour of National-Socialism, despite several expulsions. One teacher and a student were arrested yesterday.

The arrests were upheld despite threats from the head of the school that complications would result between the two countries.—Havas.

DARING CHINESE AIR RAIDS

Shanghai, To-day.

Daring air-raids are reported to have been carried out by Chinese airmen in areas north of Soochow during the last few days. Japanese ammunition depots are claimed to have been bombed.—Our Own Correspondent.



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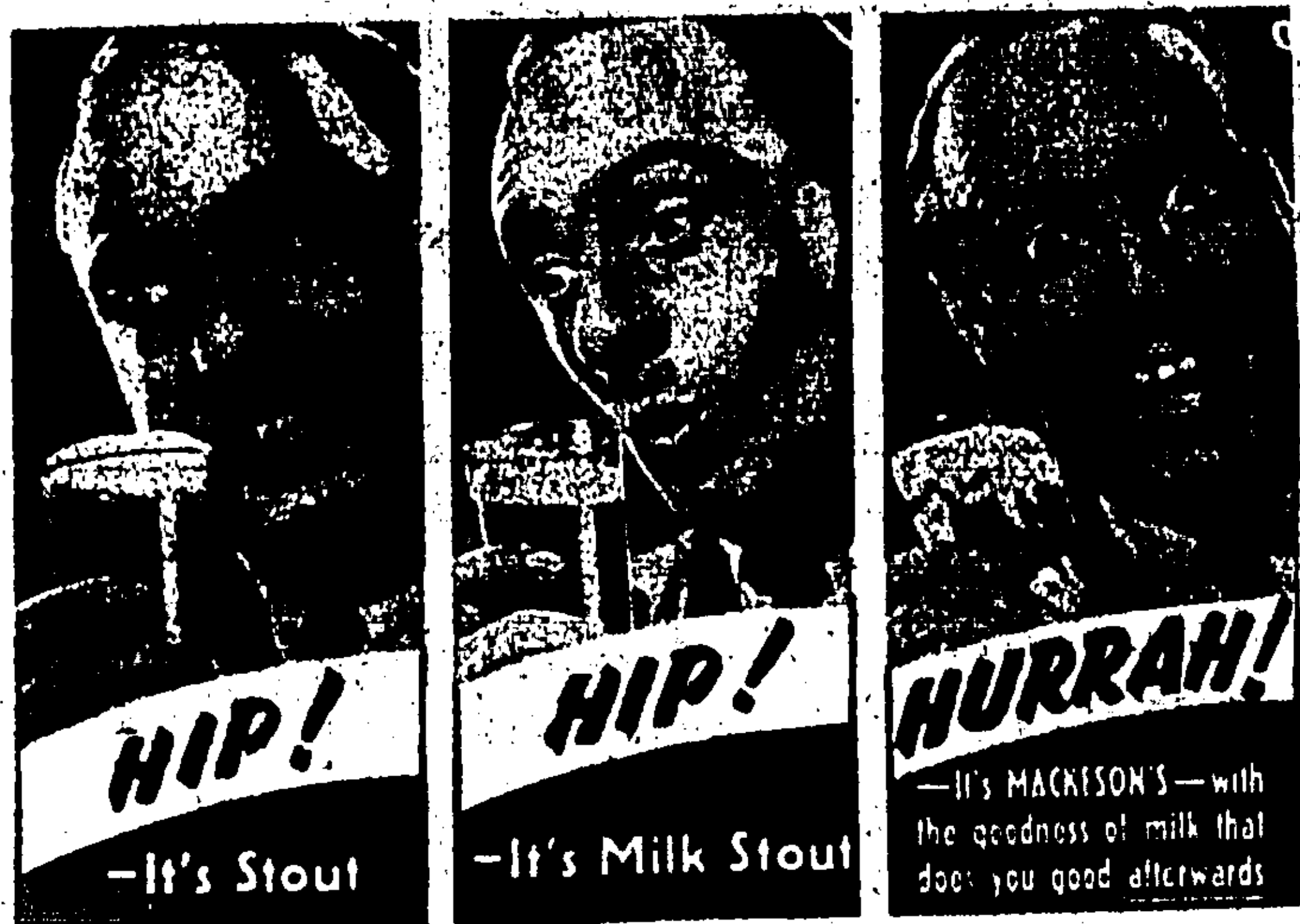
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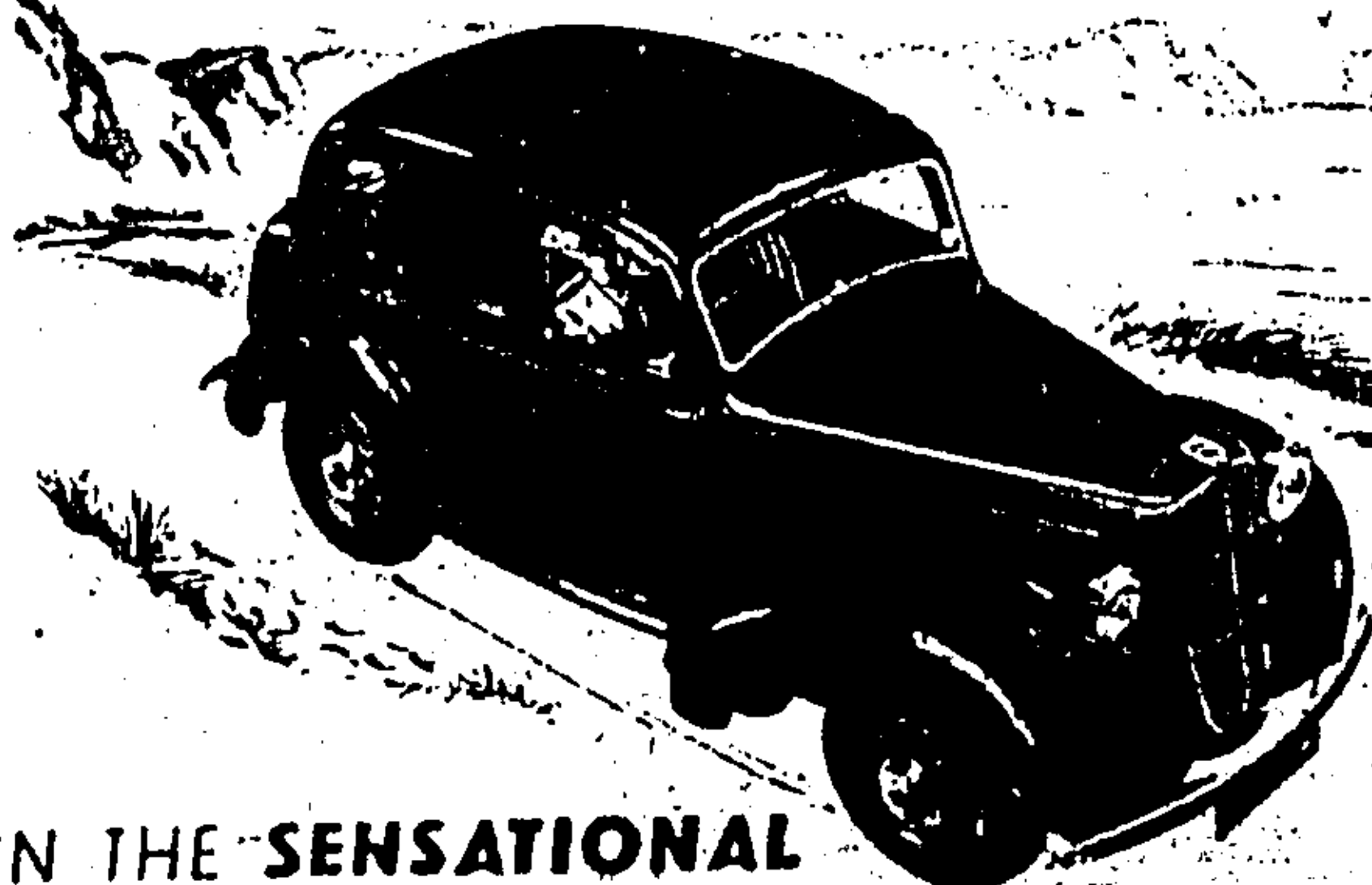
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THE PACIFIC CONFERENCE

The Dominions, like the British Government, are beginning to take the "steps necessary in the light of present developments for their own protection" and the conference which is to take place in New Zealand is a move in that direction. Such a conference has not been held since 1912, when Lord Kitchener made his famous survey, although the question of Empire defence has been considered continuously by the Committee of Imperial Defence and by successive Imperial Conferences. The urgency of the situation is obviously one reason for the conference. The defence of Australia and New Zealand raises different questions from that of Canada and South Africa. Canada's geographical position is a defence in itself. In the case of South Africa there is no hostile country with a navy strength sufficient to attack her, and the nature of her country and the skill of the South Africans in guerrilla warfare make that country specially well equipped for land defence. The same cannot be said of Australia or of New Zealand. Both have long coast-lines, both are entirely isolated, and Japan is for both a Power with dubious intentions. Before the war the Anglo-Japanese Alliance and the predominant position of the British Fleet left Australians and New Zealanders secure from any fear of attack. This security no longer exists.

In the second place, both countries are realising that in the matter of defence they must now rely more on their own strength. The necessity of air defence, the aggressive character of Japan, and the feeling that in a European conflict Britain might be forced to concentrate the whole of her defence forces in Europe have brought home to the Australians and New Zealanders the necessity for providing for their own defence. During the three years ending 1941 Australia is increasing her defence expenditure from fifteen to over forty-three million pounds and New Zealand is increasing hers too. Thirdly, the necessity for co-operation in defence between the two countries also arises out of the present situation. Preparations have to be made in the Air Forces and in the Navy, and it is here that consultation is necessary. New Zealand has no secondary industries at all, whereas Australia is building up her heavy industries, is already making all

kinds of firearms, artillery and ammunition, and has recently begun manufacturing aeroplanes and aeroplane accessories. In this effort New Zealand wants both to contribute and to share. There is, therefore, a large agenda for this conference. While the Navy remains the first line of defence for both countries the Air Force now comes a very good second, and consultation in both fields must take place. In addition there is the preparation of a common defence programme, the maintenance and use of the Singapore base, the contributions to be made by each to the general defence of the Pacific, and the assistance which each Dominion can receive from Great Britain.

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Silent M.P.s.

Sir Edward Campbell's record of eighteen months' silence in the House of Commons, while (cynically speaking) creditable, does not entitle him to any really proud place among the records of reticence. Major J. D. Hope, who was elected for Berwick in 1900 and retained his seat until 1922, did not during the whole of that time open his mouth in the House of Commons. Another silent member achieved the remarkable feat of attaining front bench honours and actually becoming chief Government Whip without ever addressing the Speaker. This was Mr. Glyn, who, in 1872, when Disraeli called for an explanation from the Whips, mentioned that this was his first speech in fifteen years.

But even these remarkable records shrink before the achievement of General Forester, who represented Much Wenlock for forty years without finding it necessary or desirable to open his mouth on the affairs of his country or constituents. A certain Sir Charles Burrell, who represented Westminster, might have beaten General Forester's record but for a single unhappy lapse into loquacity. Sir Charles sat for sixty years in the House and broken silence only once—to comment on a bill providing that housemaids should be forbidden to clean windows from the outside.

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"The Orient"

The report of the Imperial Shipping Committee on "British Shipping in the Orient," is incidentally a symptom of a change in English usage. Has H. M. Stationery Office ever before published a document in which the term "the Orient" has been used to denote the region in which China and Japan are the most important Powers? Hitherto the normal term for that section of the globe has been "the East" or "the Far East," and anyone who wrote of "the Orient," except in poetry, would have been regarded by many as affected and pretentious. If the Shipping Committee's innovation becomes generally accepted it will be another example of the Americanisation of our English idiom. In the United States "the Orient" has long been in everyday use in the most prosaic of commercial and political newspapers. There is a reason for this. By "the East" an American naturally understands the eastern section of his own vast country as distinct from the Western States. When, for instance, Mr. J. Truslow Adams, in one of his historical works, quotes a professor at one of the largest universities in the East, he is referring to one not in China but on the Atlantic seaboard.

PINCH OF WAR HITS JAPAN ON HOME FRONT

GASOLINE AND METAL GOODS LACKING

Japan's economic ribs are showing plainly to-day, after nearly two years of a war-induced "starvation diet."

In a commodity sense, the nation is painfully thin. But it is not weak. It has voluntarily dislocated its entire economic machinery in order to keep the engines of war in operation.

An almost unbelievable scarcity exists in the common, ordinary articles of living — not because Japan could not buy or make them, but because her money and her factories are concentrated on more immediate needs. These, obviously, relate directly to the China fighting.

Figuratively, the nation is starving itself so that the guns may eat. 1,000 TAXIS QUIT

Some examples: The government is rationing gasoline. Recently, nearly 1,000 taxis were taken out of service in Tokyo alone. The regular cars in Tokyo's biggest hotel are allowed only enough fuel for 35 miles a day. Privately owned automobiles are permitted one gallon and one-half daily. In looking for passengers, taxicabs dare not cruise; they wait. And if a passenger lives in a suburb, the cabbie frequently will refuse to go. He simply has no gasoline.

Those brands of Japanese-made cigarettes that contain Virginia or Egyptian tobacco are virtually unobtainable. Foreign-made cigar-

ettes have disappeared from sale.

All over the major cities are the skeletons of half-completed office buildings. The steel framework is there, but the concrete, marble and additional metal-work necessary to complete them is not to be had. This includes even one new government building, begun two years ago, before the war. The reinforced concrete portions of an elevated railway — a government line — are still unfinished after nearly a year's work.

CONCRETE FOR PILLBOXES

Concrete is being poured, in rivers, into the gigantic airbase Japan is erecting near the Siberian border. Aeroplane runways, warehouses, barracks, munition dumps, pillboxes. They come first when Japan thinks of concrete.

BRITAIN TO LIST ALL NAZI AGENTS

London, Apr. 3. The "Daily Express" reports that the Home Office has instructed Scotland Yard to furnish it with a complete list of the names of all Nazi agents residing in Great Britain and an account of their recent activities.—Havas.

All metals are severely rationed. Paper and aluminum are replacing the lower-denominational coins in circulation. The government has been studying a new kind of heavy porcelain box which it hopes may be suitable instead of the iron mail-boxes now in use. Japan needs that iron.

Even this: Cast-iron and rubber splash-guards have been taken off automobiles, and the bicycles no longer have tin license plates!

Compulsory sale to the Government of gold articles is about to begin.

INSULIN SHORTAGE

In the same way, government control of textiles has reduced purchasable linen, woollen and cotton almost to nothing.

The manufacture of medicine requires drugs and chemicals. Recently, there was a temporary but very dangerous shortage of insulin (for the treatment of diabetes).

Many of these articles, or the raw materials to make them, must be imported. If they are not ab-

SWISS CHARGED WITH NAZI ACTIVITIES

Berne, April 3.

For the first time in the history of Switzerland, a group of seven Swiss citizens appeared in a court here to-day charged with intensive Nazi activities.

The leader of the group from the Soleure canton was a foreman named Schaad, employed in a munitions factory. The accused admitted that their main aim was to bring about an annexation of Switzerland by the Reich. Schaad was dismissed from the factory on the intervention of the Swiss authorities and despite the resistance of the German directors of the factory, who were waging an open campaign of propaganda.—Havas.

solutely necessary for the present or future needs of the war-machine, they are not being bought or made. This national "starvation" is not the result of poverty. On the contrary, it is one thing that has kept Japan going for such a long time.

The people bear it with traditional stoicism. They may complain privately, but not publicly. The stories of the hardships of the men at the front have been burned into their brains, and they are told that they, the "people behind the gun," must suffer too.

They are doing a very good job of suffering.

DR. BENES PREDICTS RESTORATION OF CZECH FREEDOM

Cleveland, Apr. 3.

Speaking at a meeting here yesterday evening, both Dr. Edouard Benes, former Czech President, and Mayor Fiorello La Guardia of New York City expressed their conviction that Czechoslovakia will find her freedom once again.

"Victory will return," Dr. Benes stated. "It will be the victory of a free Europe. It would seem that Czechoslovakia was too prosperous and too democratic, from the view point of her totalitarian neighbours. The dictator cannot afford to allow democracy to prosper in a neighbouring state."

Dr. Benes then expressed satisfaction at the recent scathing attack against the German action in Czechoslovakia delivered by Mr. Sumner Welles, Under-Secretary of State.

"I do not suggest that brute force should be opposed to brute force," he concluded. "But the world is beginning to realise that it must put an end to the moral and social disintegration the development of which we are witnessing in certain Central European states, or else our civilization will disappear."

Mayor La Guardia opened his

address by stating that he would not resort to diplomatic terms.

"Czechoslovakia has not been taken," he said. "The republic has not been destroyed. Czechoslovakia was kidnapped. When the kidnapper speaks of a protectorate he uses the same terms as the man who kidnaps a child and keeps him until a ransom is paid, finally killing the infant if he receives no money. Crime cannot continue to remain an object of respect."

Mayor La Guardia considered that war could be avoided if the United States were to make known to the world that the American people would denounce the aggressor and assist other democratic countries.

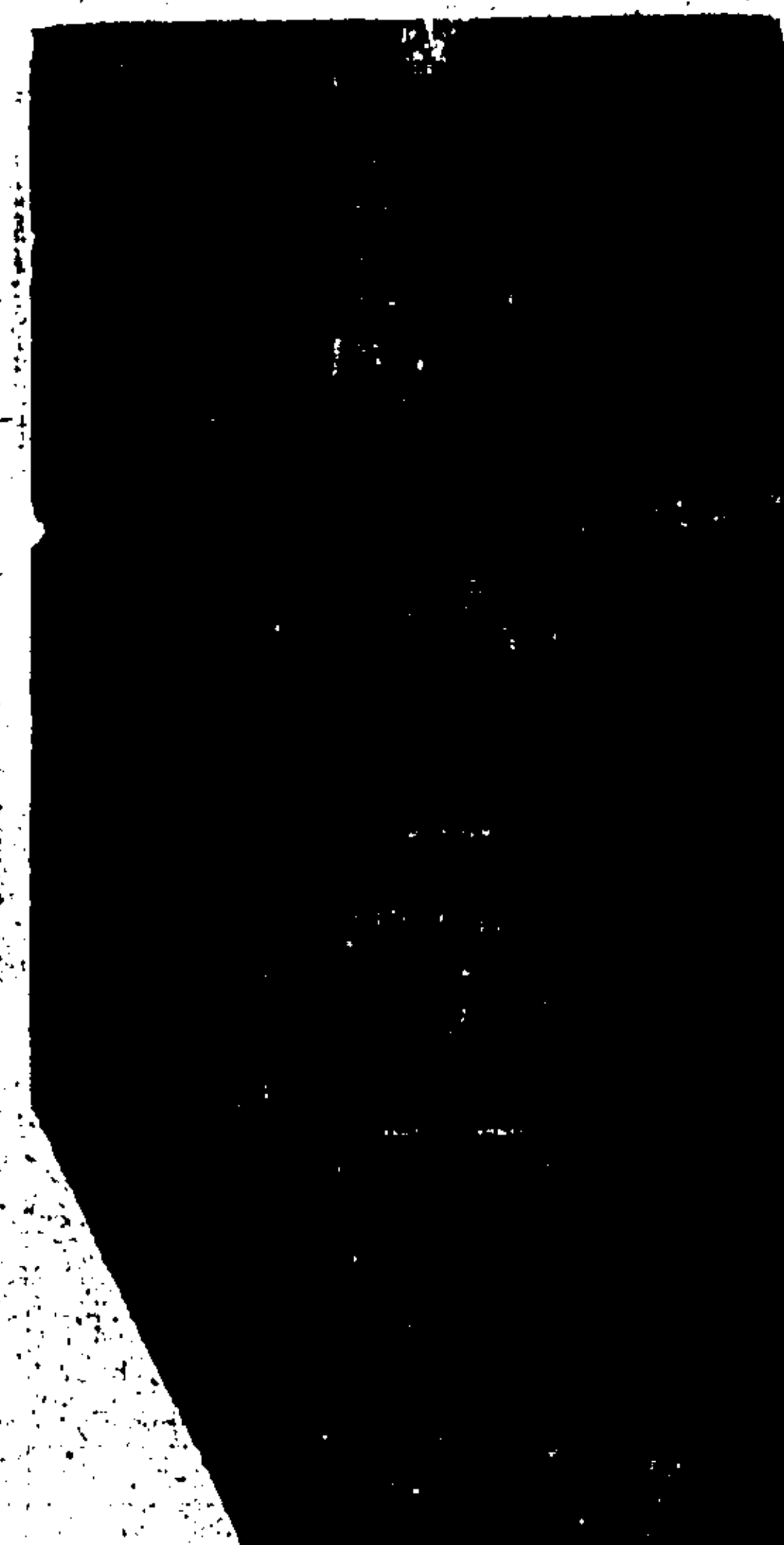
It was particularly noted here that Dr. Benes did not refer to his plan for the recovery of Czechoslovakia. According to well-informed circles, he could not let out the details of the plan, but it is believed that it will no doubt include the formation of a provisional government, the seat of which would be created in a former Czech Embassy still outside German hands.—Havas.

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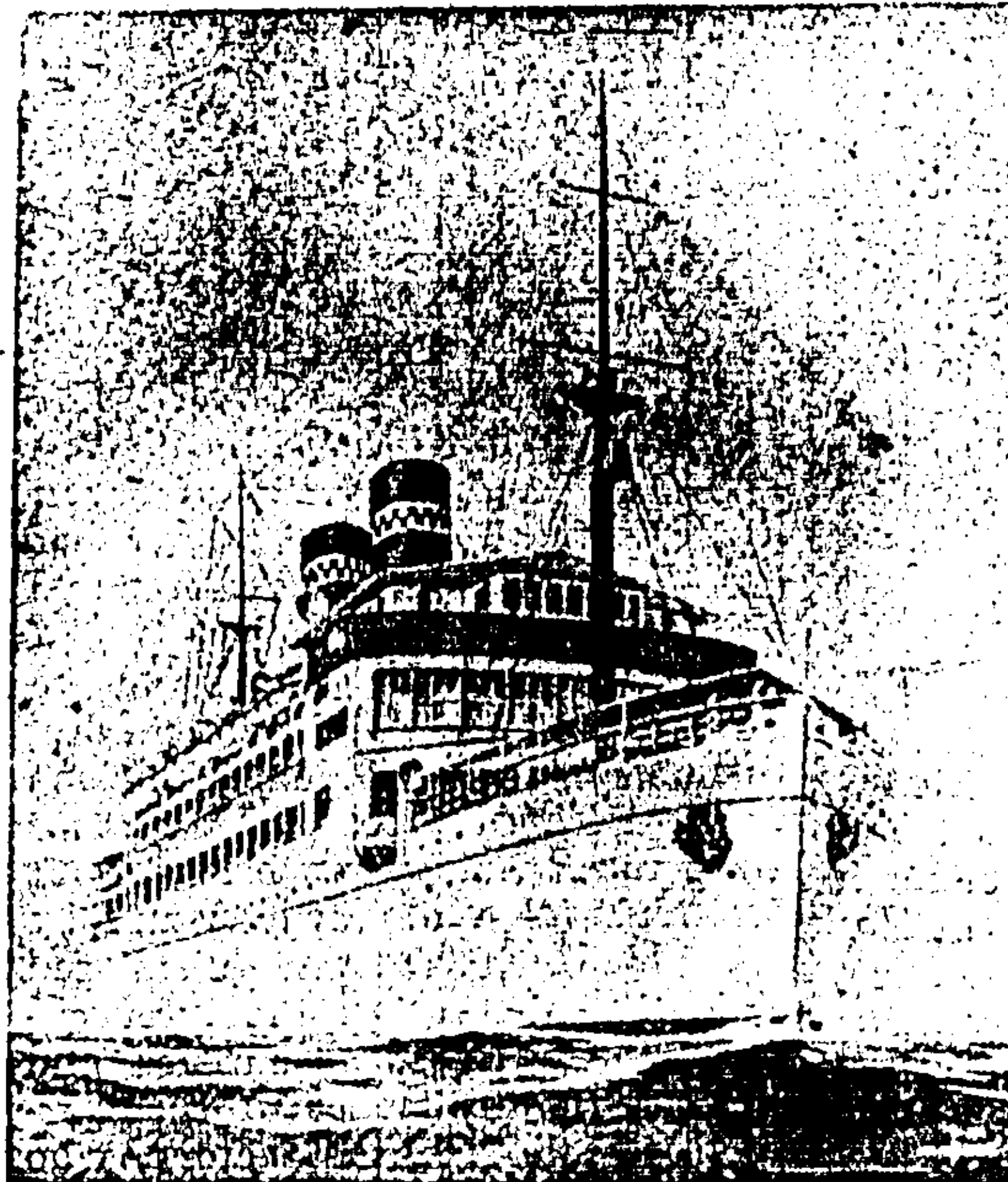
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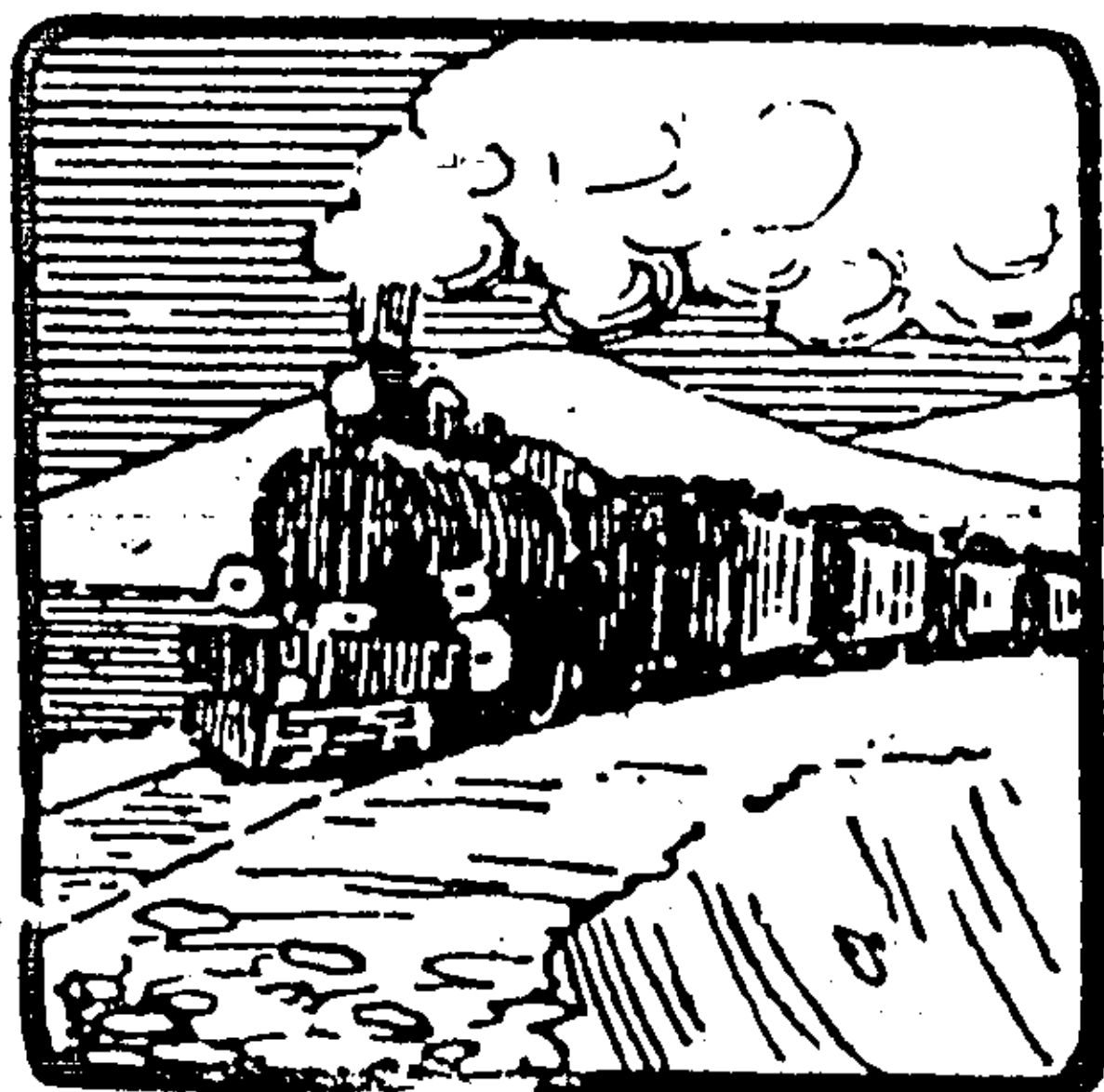
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(Right)—ARAB DELEGATES AT R.A.F. STATION.—The Arab delegates in London for Conference visited the Royal Air Force Station at Northolt and took great interest in the machines and the new long distance bombers. There was a special flying display for their benefit. Photo shows Prince Feisal watching the display of aerobatics through a pair of powerful binoculars.



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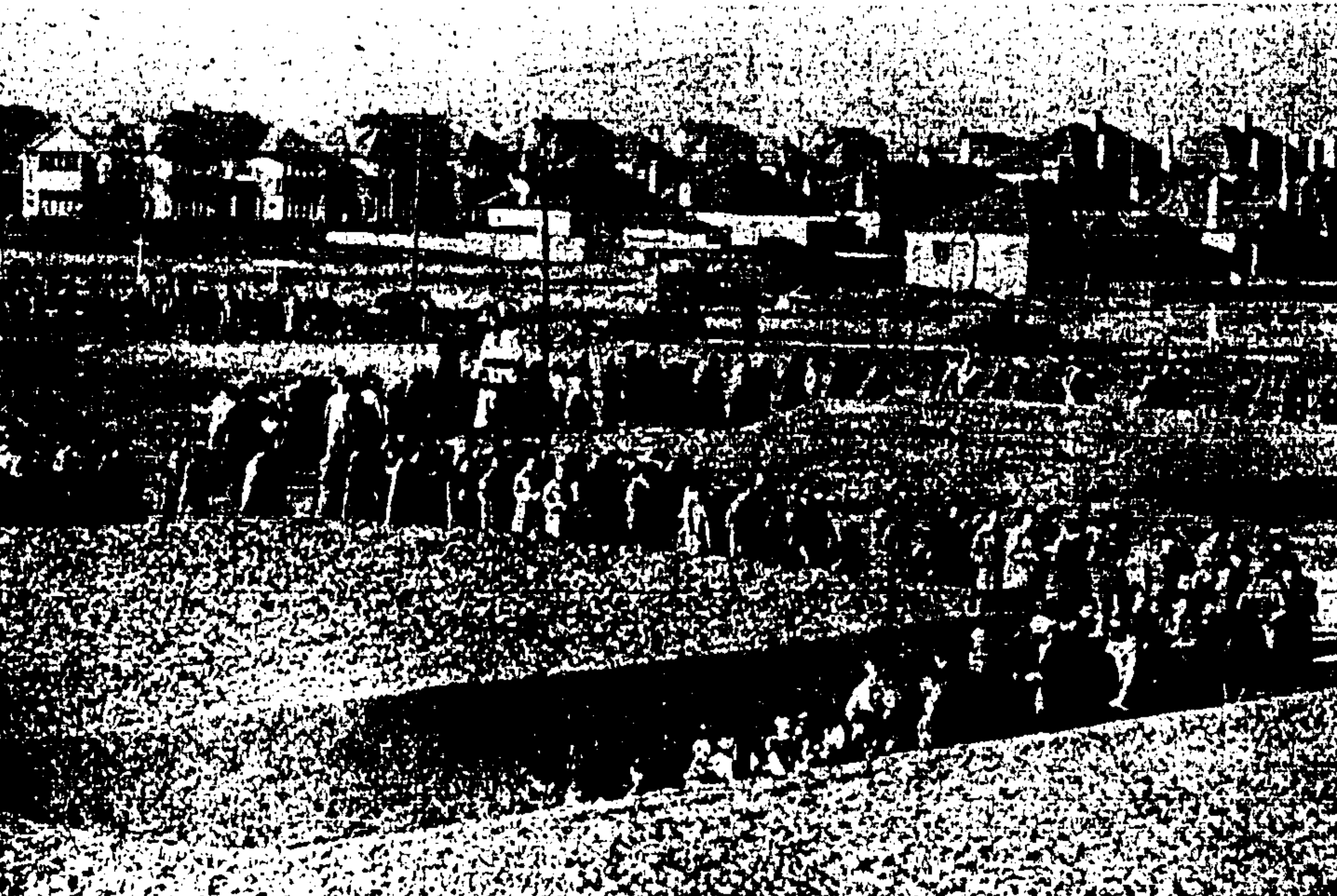
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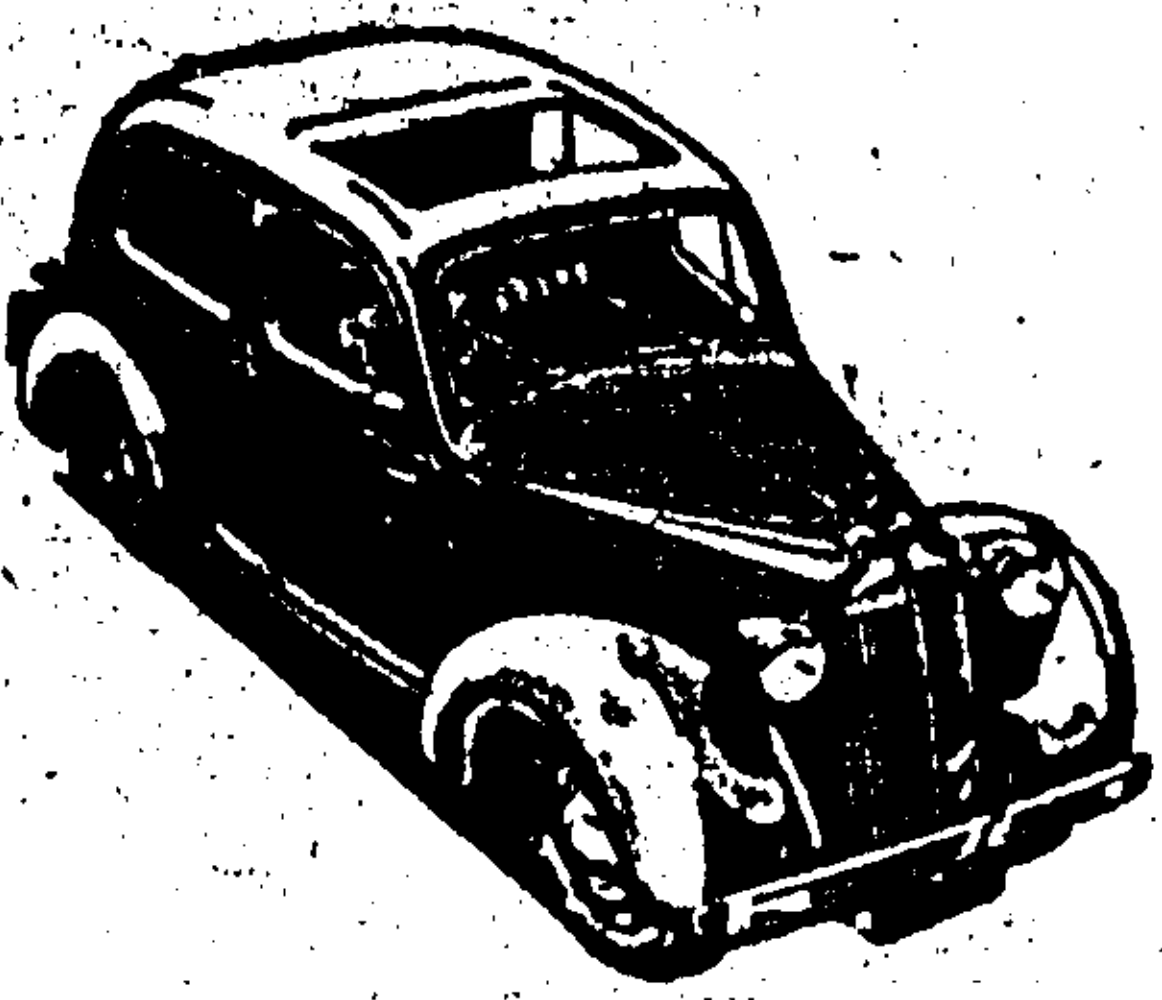
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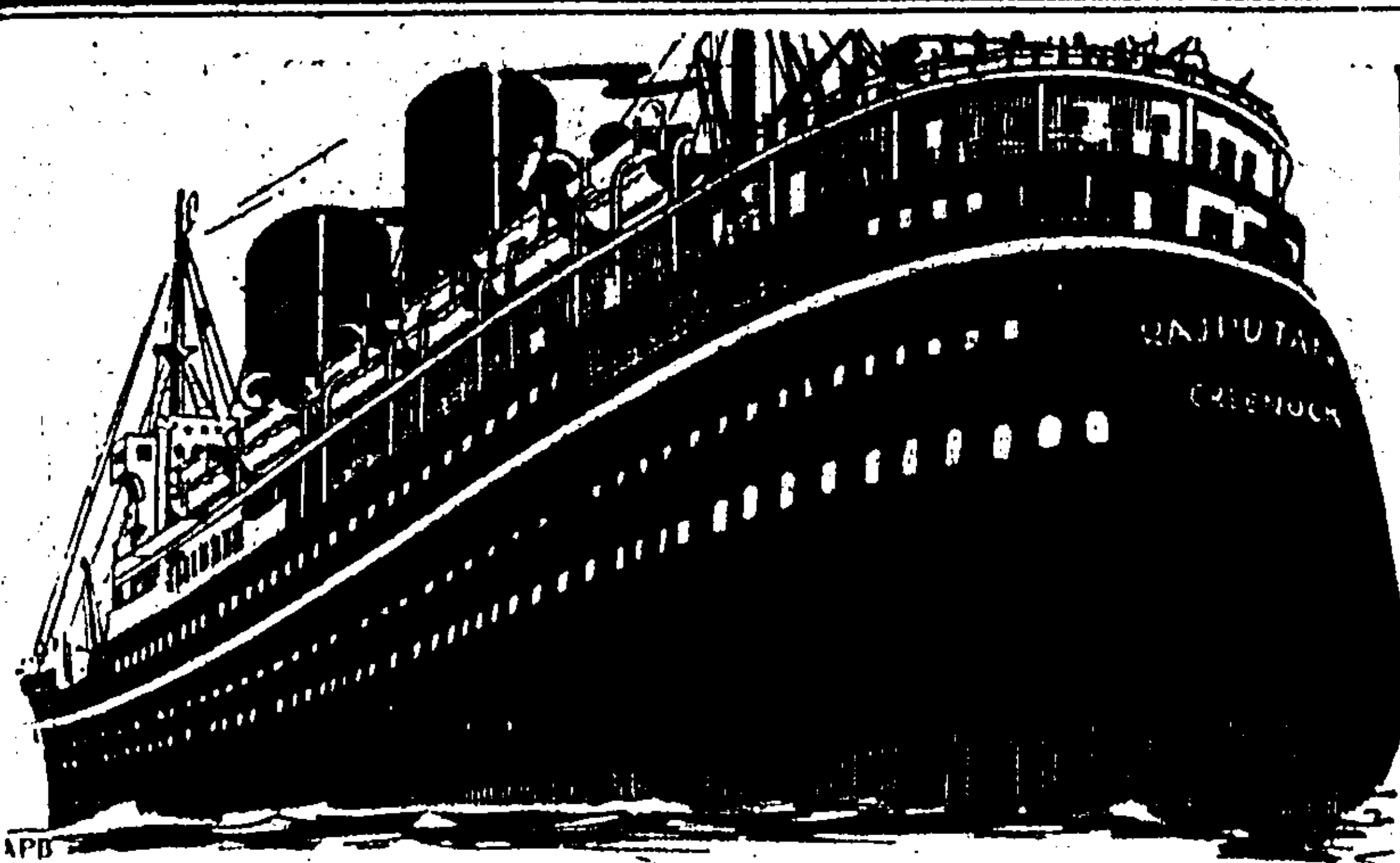
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Japan	Santhia	April 11.
Saigon	Vitorlock	April 11.
Shanghai	Laos	April 11.
Australia and Manila	Glenbeg	April 11.
Shanghai and Swatow	Changte	April 11.
Shanghai and Amoy	Suiyang	April 11.
Shanghai and Swatow	Soochow	April 12.
Saigon	Taiyuan	April 12.
Straits and Europe via Suez (Papers etc.) London date, 16th March and London Parcels—London date, 9th March.	Jean Laborde	April 12.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 5th April.	Carthage	April 12.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 5th April.	Imperial Airways Plane	April 12.
Manila	Imperial Airways Plane	April 12.
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Amoy and Foochow	Hatyang	Mon., Apr. 10, Noon.
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A. Central and South America and (Papers only for Canada) Via San Francisco — due Francisco 29th April.	Pres. Coolidge	Monday, April 10.
Swatow	Ord.,	Mon., Apr. 10, Noon.
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Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due London, 17th April.	Hatyang	Mon., Apr. 10, Noon.
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TUESDAY		
Manila, Macassar and Sourabaya	Tjisadamo	Tues., Apr. 11, 8.30 a.m.
Papers only for Straits and (Parcels Hosang and Papers for Calcutta).	Par.,	Tuesday, April 11.
Haiphong	Par.,	Mon., Apr. 10, Noon.
Fort Bayard	Par.,	Tues., Apr. 11, 8.30 a.m.
Swatow and Amoy	Canton	Tues., Apr. 11, 2.00 p.m.
Sandakan	Jean Dupuis	Tues., Apr. 11, 2.30 p.m.
	Anhui	Tues., Apr. 11, 2.30 p.m.
	Woolgar	Tues., Apr. 11, 3.30 p.m.
WEDNESDAY		
Swatow, Chuanchow and Foochow	Hoihow	Wed., Apr. 12, 10.30 a.m.
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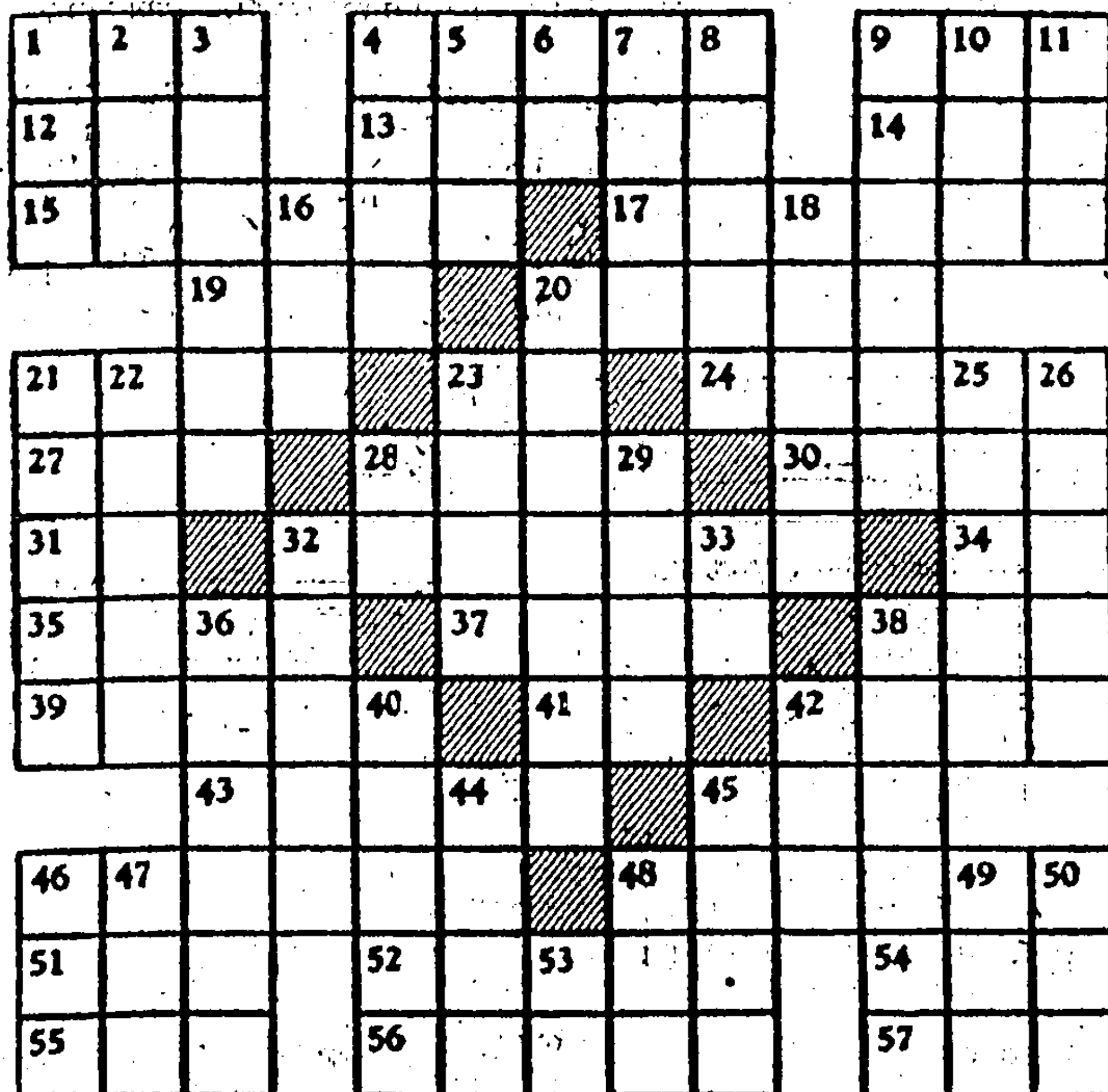
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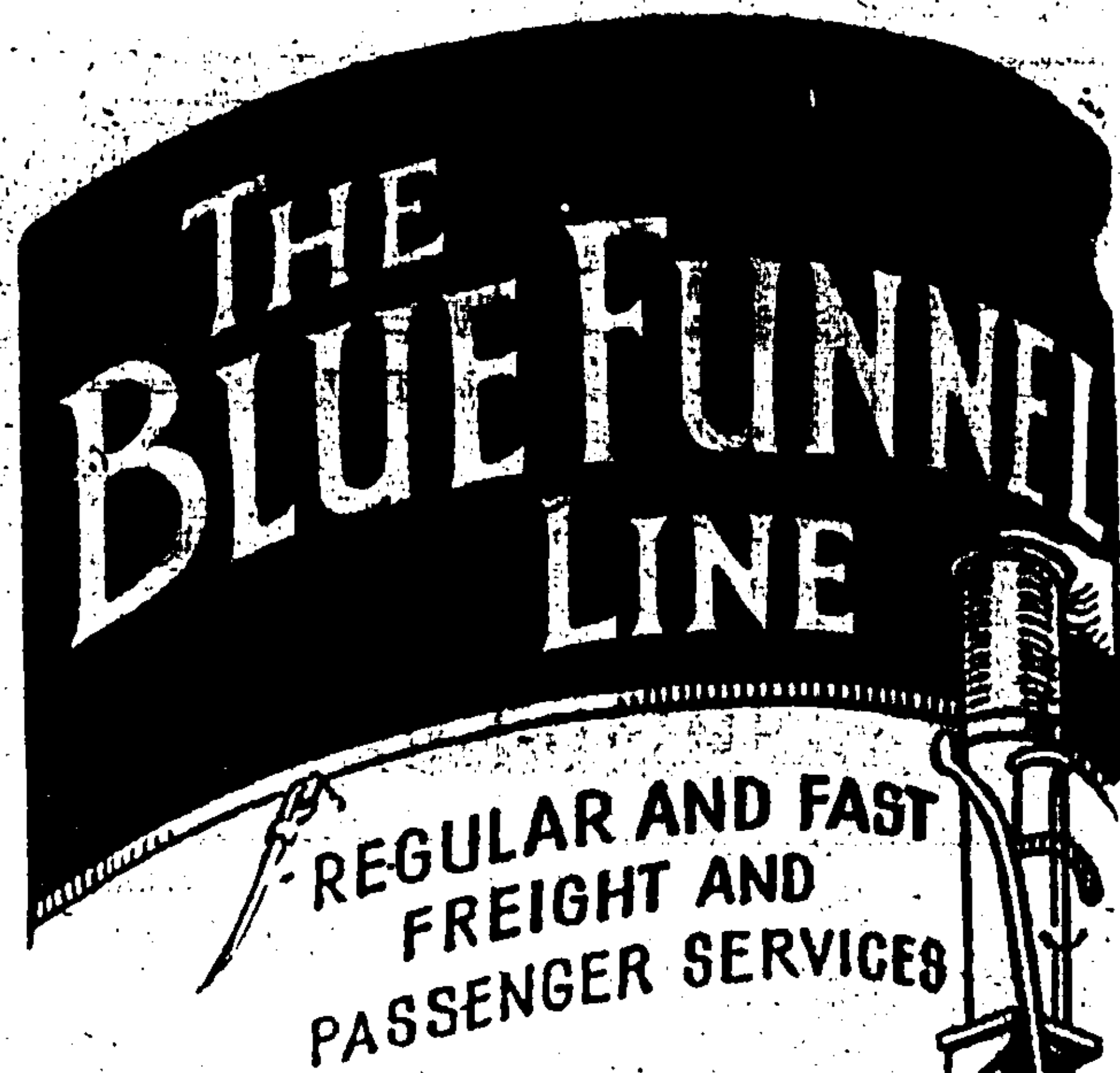
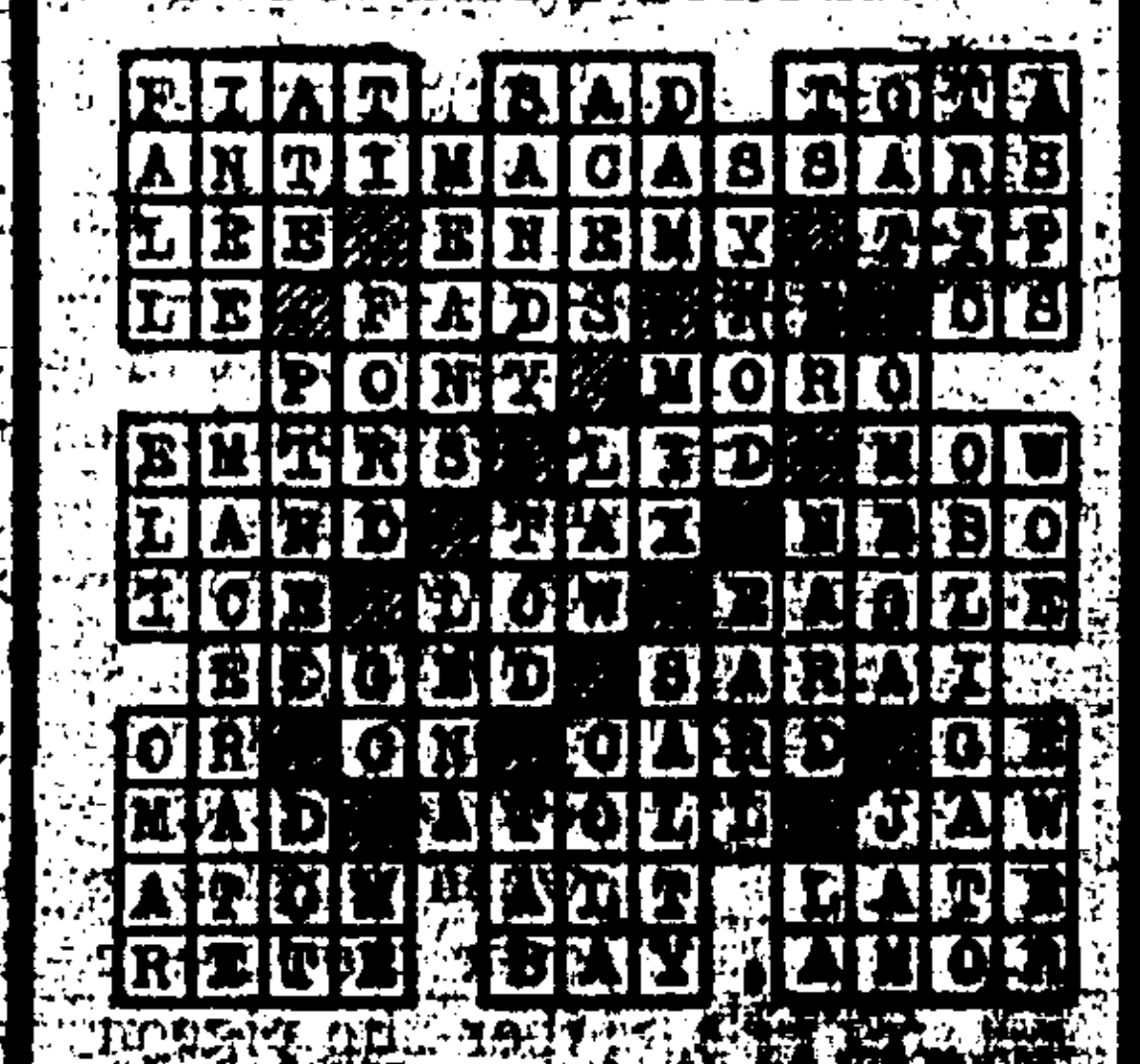
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- 54 Man's name
- 55 Personality
- 56 Disdain
- 57 To stem
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- 3 Pestle
- 4 Woven
- 5 Pronoun
- 6 Domestic animal
- 7 To split
- 8 River ducks
- 9 Groups of three

10 Isle

- 11 To howl
- 16 Memorial post
- 18 Observes
- 20 Adviser
- 21 Kind of fabric
- 22 To change
- 23 Spigots
- 25 Negative ion
- 26 Repairs
- 28 French article
- 29 Rounded hill
- 32 Fortification
- 33 Babylonian deity
- 36 Spanish city
- 38 Breathed fast
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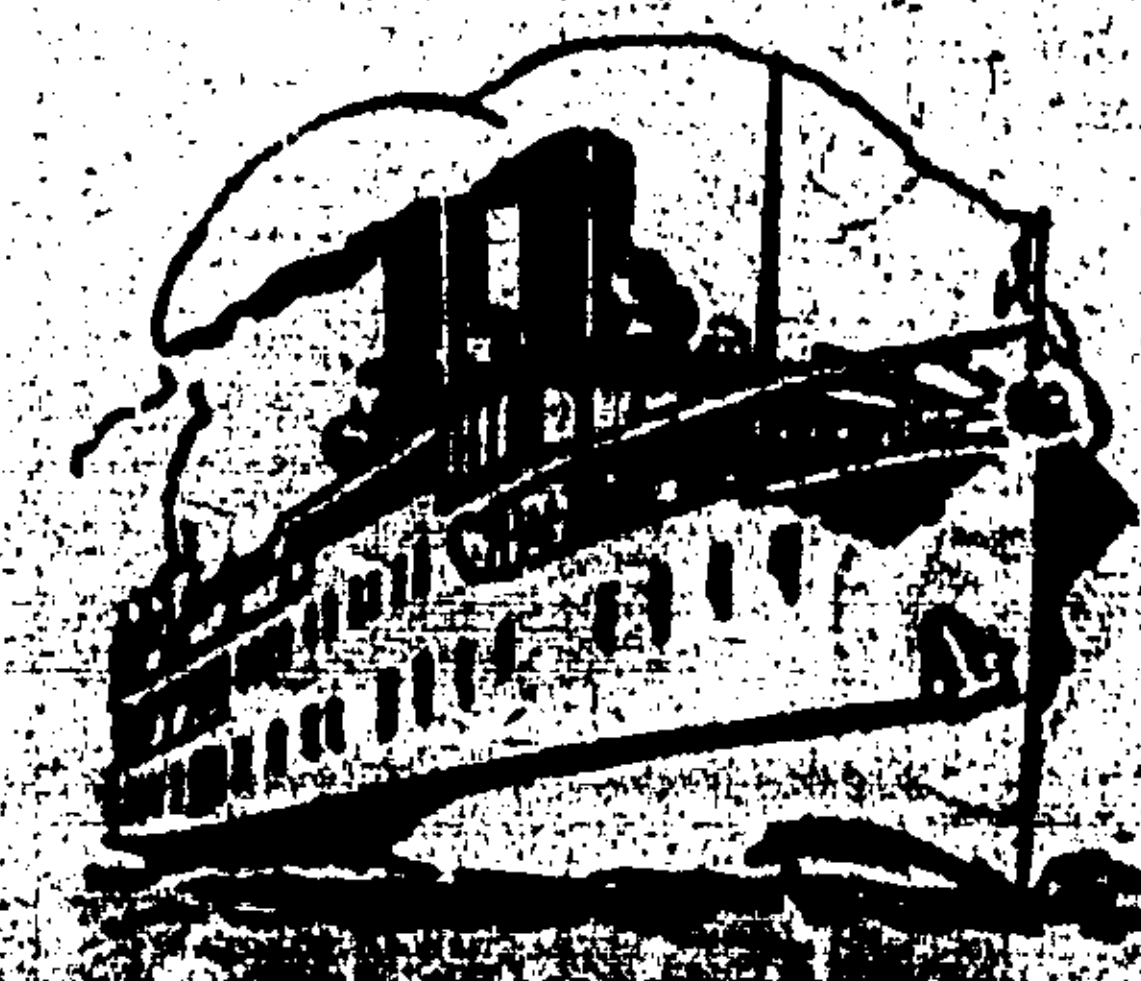
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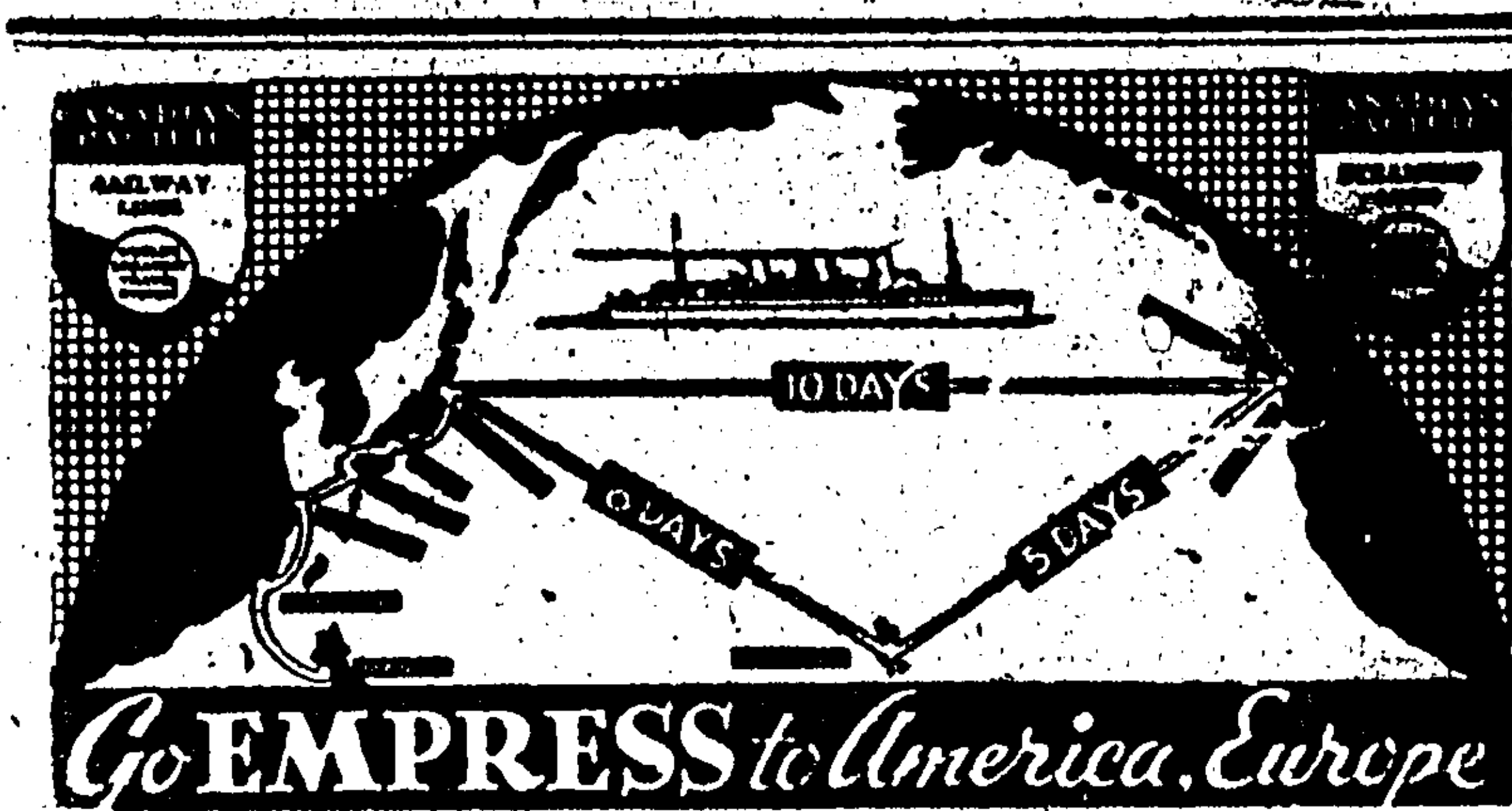
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He said this week that he had now reached a stage in his work when he could guarantee the perfection of the invention.

The scientist is Mr. R. M. Cooper, a Londoner, who after years of experiment, has evolved a wonder shell which he says, will enable army gunners to account for any raiding plane that comes within range.

The shell will automatically explode the instant it gets near its objective.

"It is a well-known fact," Mr. Cooper said, "that gunners firing at planes can seldom be sure of accuracy. The projectile may explode at 10,000 or 11,000 feet and the gunners have to trust to luck that, if it does not hit the plane, some particle of it may do vital damage. With my shell, however, there is certainty. The Cooper Shell does not explode until it comes into contact with the currents, or rays sent out to it by the metal or other substances in the plane at which it is directed. I can arrange that the shell will not on any account explode until it gets within two or three feet. This would mean that many times the number of raiding aircraft could be shot down."

POEM CLUE TO MAN WITHOUT MEMORY

Holding Woman's Photo

A well-dressed man entered Lydney, Glos., police station clutching the picture of a woman, and said he had lost his memory. He had on him a love poem, addressed to "Nita," apparently his wife. The first of the eight verses reads:

"Sweetly singing as the birds in spring,

Smiling loving, always gay,

To all who knew her she does bring

Sunshine on their gloomy day,

My wife, my own sweet everything."

Other verses refer to "My wife, my life, my all," and say that "without her there would be nothing in life."

The man, who is now in hospital, stated that he did not remember whether he was married, or who he was.

In his pocket were other photographs, but none bore any name. A laundry mark seems to bear out the opinion that he spent some time in Cardiff recently.

The man is between 28 and 30, 5ft 10in in height, brown hair brushed back and parted on the left, bluish grey eyes, clean shaven, fresh complexion, wearing gold-rimmed spectacles. Dressed in light brown suit, blue, green and grey mixture overcoat and brown shoes.

He is in possession of snapshots, apparently of himself, wife and children, and the photograph of a woman. He was wearing a soft felt hat bearing the name of an Aldershot outfitter.

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Your kidneys have nine million tiny tubes or filters which are endangered by neglect or drastic, irritating drugs. Beware! If kidney trouble or bladder weakness makes you suffer from Getting Up Night, Leg Pains, Nervousness, Dizziness, Stiffness, Rheumatism, Lumbago, Circles Under Eyes, Swollen Ankles, Neuralgia, Burning, Itching, Smarting, Acidity or Loss of Vigour, don't delay. Try the Doctor's new discovery called Oxytex (Siss-tex). Soothes, tones, cleans, and heals sick kidneys. Starts work in 15 minutes. Brings new health, youth and vitality in 48 hours. Oxytex costs little and is guaranteed to end your troubles in 3 days or money back. At All Chemists.

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Britain's R.A.F. has a new force of flying machines, which cost next to nothing.

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And a national register of pigeon owners is being formed of breeders who are prepared to hand over their birds for use as R.A.F. messengers if war comes.

The idea is this: Machines sent out on duty will carry a crew of pigeons.

Suppose the plane has engine trouble and has to come down; the wireless cannot work on the ground. The pigeons are released, each with a message, giving location of the crippled plane. Off they fly back to their lofts—and the message is opened and telephoned to the R.A.F.

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If a pilot is lost and the wireless directional is not working, a released homing pigeon could guide the plane on to its homeward course—because nothing flies straighter for home than a homing pigeon.

And, of course, there ARE times when wireless messages from planes over the lines could be tapped. And then the pigeons who can't be tapped can do the message carrying.

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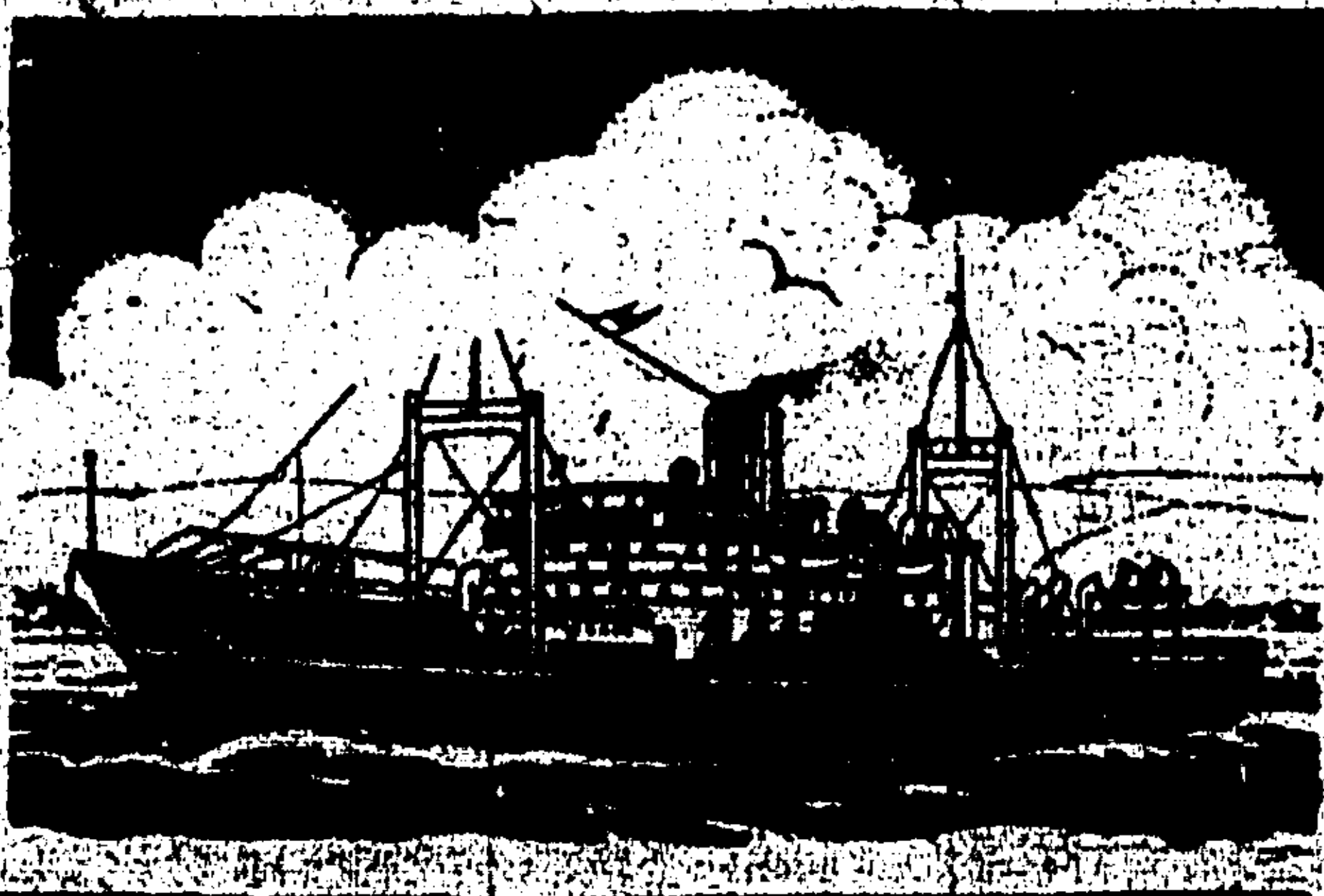
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TETANUS TRACE IN DRESSING

At a St. Pancras inquest, Professor Arnold Ashley Miles, Professor of Bacteriology at University College Hospital, said he found traces of tetanus (lockjaw) in dressings.

A verdict of "Death by misadventure" was recorded on Mrs. Florence Wilson (36), of Hackney, who died in Hackney Hospital following the birth of her fourth child.

Sir Bernard Spilsbury said that death was definitely due to tetanus, there being a strong presumption that it was caused by dressings applied after the birth.

Hard To Quell

Professor Miles, who examined the dressings supplied to the hospital, said that in two out of six cases he found traces of tetanus in sterilised dressings.

In one case out of two in unsterilised dressings—as they had been supplied by the manufacturer—he also found evidence of tetanus, which was one of the hardest things to quell by sterilisation.

Dr. Arthur Roche, L.C.C. pathologist, said that he found no traces of tetanus on swabs and instruments used on the woman during her life. Examination of the nurse associated with the case also gave a negative result.

Mr. Bentley Purchase, the Coroner, said that he agreed with Sir Bernard that no suggestion could be made that the infection had taken place in any other way.

A New Year Resolution.

Watch Your Health in 1939.

You get much more out of life when you are well, so one of your first resolutions for 1939 should be to keep fit. But this climate is an exacting one and often causes impoverishment of the blood, the basic cause of many health troubles.

If you feel run down, dispirited, unable to take an interest in life, suffer from digestive troubles, rheumatic complaints, dizziness, loss of weight, or from those aches and pains which specially affect women, you may be sure that your blood needs building up. Take a course of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, which actually create new, rich, red blood in abundance, and you will be surprised how soon there is a change for the better in your condition.

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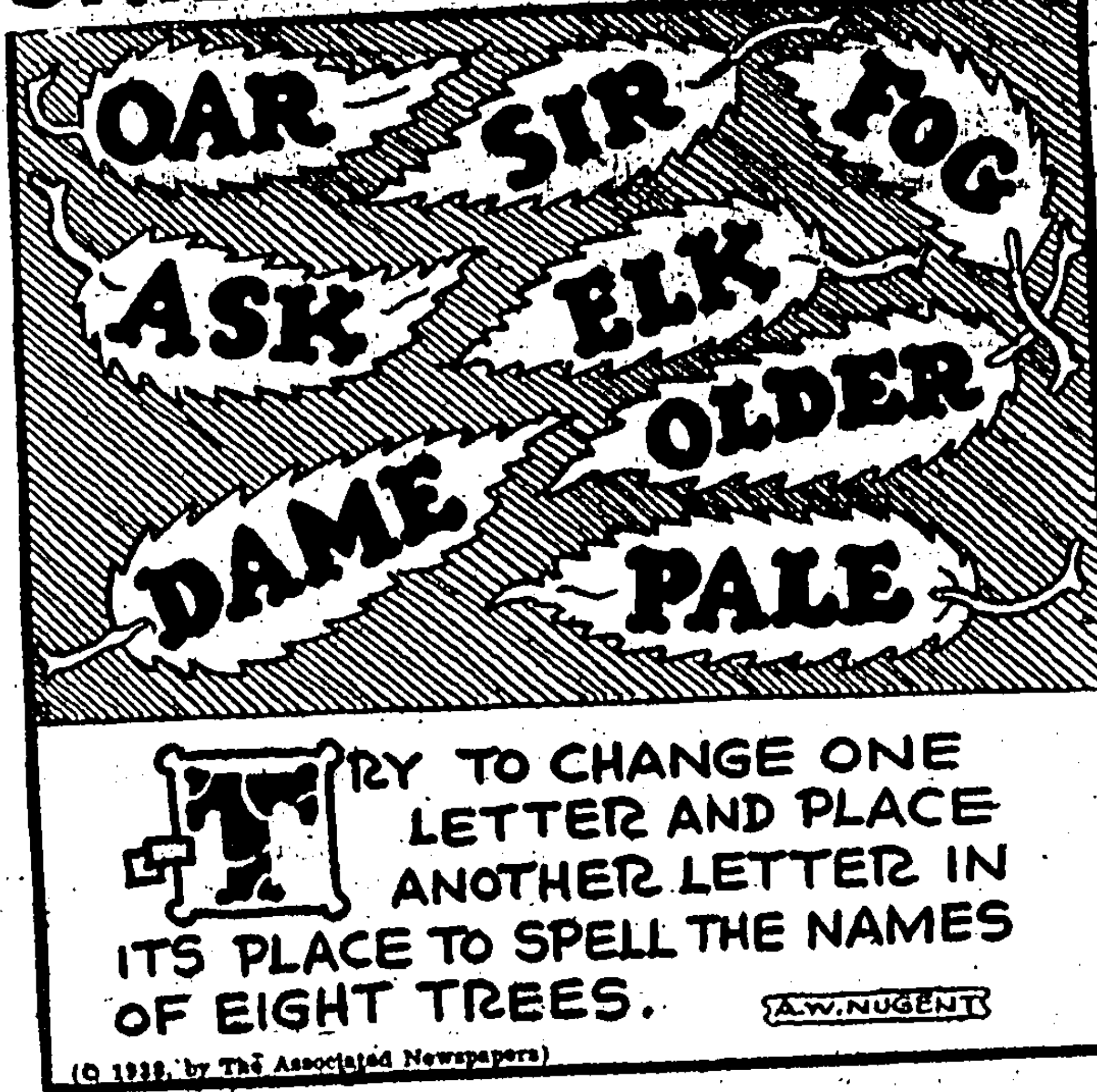
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CHILDREN'S PUZZLE



Answer to-morrow.

FAILURE DUE TO LOVE OF DRESS

£50 For Two Frocks
When Insolvent

EXPENSIVE GIFTS NOT PAID FOR

Mrs. Beryl Kathleen Mills, of Williams Mews, Knightsbridge, S.W., who failed in December owing £3,980, her only assets consisting of cash in hand £1, and a fur cape value at £5, attended for her public examination at London Bankruptcy Court.

She agreed that her liabilities included:

Clothing ... £2,131	Flowers £22
Decorations ... £514	Perfumes ... £14
Furniture ... £229	Medical
Betting ... £130	Expenses £139

Mr. T. C. Cadgwan (Official Receiver): Some of these debts have been outstanding a long time, some in 1931 and 1932?—Yes.

Mrs. Mills said that she was married in 1928 and was supported very liberally. In one month in 1929 her husband paid £1,350 into her banking account. About October, 1931, they separated, and there was a deed of separation under which she received £5 a week.

Mr. Cadgwan: You attribute your failure to what you describe as your love for personal clothing?—Yes.

"Indulging A Whim"

When this generous treatment of your husband ceased you still indulged in this particular whim of yours?—Mrs. Mills did not reply.

In 1932 she obtained a divorce, she continued. The following year her former husband fell into arrears with payments to her, and in October, 1933, she accepted £1,250 in satisfaction of arrears and future payments. That was exhausted within a year.

Since the end of 1933 she received £156 a year, rental of some premises, together with gifts. Between March, 1934, and April, 1935, she earned about £5 a week as a saleswoman.

Mrs. Mills agreed that last year she bought a dress for 22½ guineas and a week later another for 25½ guineas.

Mr. Cadgwan: At a time when you were hopelessly insolvent and being pressed by creditors?—Yes.

"A most irresponsible way of going on?" said Mr. Cadgwan.

Mr. Registrar Parson: "Irresponsible" seems a most merciful way of putting it. I should use a much harder word.

Expensive Presents

Mrs. Mills agreed that she had given fairly expensive presents, including a gold watch-lighter, a set of studs and links, costing £40, and a gold watch and chain which cost £55 10s.

You did not pay for any of them?—I don't think I have.

Mrs. Mills said that during the last three years she attended horse and dog race meetings. Her usual bets were 10s or 21s each way.

Sometimes £5 each way?—Only on one or two occasions.

You have been generous at the expense of your creditors?—Yes.

The examination was closed.

FOX CONCERNED THE HOUNDS

If foxes could laugh, there is one in the Lustleigh Valley (Devon) whose sides would be aching.

As hounds and hunters were hot on his scent while he led them up the valley, he did a bit of quick thinking, and proceeded to lead them "up the garden" instead.

He ran into the Easturey granite quarry. Perhaps in the maze of boulders he would be able to shake off his pursuers. But, no, on came the hounds, two wily veterans leading the pack.

Cut Through Rock

They were only a few feet away when Reynard played his ace. A passage between two large boulders just big enough to admit his wiry body was ahead of him, and into it he darted.

So did the hounds . . . and got jammed.

And there they had to stay for twenty-four hours, until, at the week-end, quarrymen cut through the rock and tunnelled under the boulders to release them.

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Principal Event For To-day

ROSE ELECT CERTAINTY FOR EASTER STAKES

(By "RAPIER")

The principal race in to-day's programme will be the Easter Stakes, but in actual fact it will be entirely devoid of real interest, simply because of the presence of Rose Elect, the Derby winner and champion pony.

Before proceeding to discuss prospects in connection with this highly important event, it may be of interest to take a look back on the results for the last three years, which are as follows:

1936—Won by Liberty Bay (Mr. Black).

1937—Won by Bear Claw (Mr. Black).

1938—Won by Desert Chief (Mr. Encarnacao).

The following will probably face the starter to-day:

Bear Claw (Mr. P. Y. T. Wei).

Eve of Harvest (Mr. H. J. A. Hearne).

King's Warden (Mr. V. V. Needa).

Moonlight View (Mr. H. C. Pih).

Rose Elect (Mr. C. Encarnacao).

It would appear futile to expect Rose Elect to be seriously challenged, although it will probably be carrying top weight of 168 lbs. In the Hong Kong Handicap over 1½ miles it won as it liked, carrying the same weight, and on that account alone it is only natural to expect Rose Elect to give the Eu Tong Sen stable their second successive win in this event.

Bear Claw does not seem to be in the same condition as heretofore, and even if it is absolutely fit it will not make any impression on Rose Elect. The second position will be fought out between Bear Claw and King's Warden, with the latter having my backing as the better pony.

THE CALLIOPE HANDICAP: FROM THE 1½ MILE POST (ABOUT HALF MILE AND 170 YARDS).

This race is confined to "B" Class Australian ponies, and I think the winner will come from one of the following:—Vixen Tor (Mr. Proulx), Cockleroi or King's Privilege (Mr. Needa), Derby Day (Mr. Pih) and probably Criffel (Mr. Ralph), with Blandford (Mr. Poy) and Devonian (Mr. Hearne) as outsiders.

Vixen Tor won the Coral Plate over six furlongs at the Annual Meeting, and on that account it has been penalised 12 lbs. Mr. Proulx is noted

RACING TIME GUIDE

The following time guide gives all placed ponies, weights, jockeys, won by and time, during the five days of the Annual Race Meeting; the 1st Extra Race Meeting and the first day of the 2nd Extra Race Meeting:

CHINA PONIES

Half Mile
0.58.3 (record)—Portrush (Encarnacao, 155); 2, Ring Master (Tao, 158); 3, Kut Cheong (Wei, 152). 2 & neck. (A.M. 1).
0.58.4—Strathbannock (Gregory, 161); 2, Radium Star (Marshall, 155); 3, King's Envoy (Needa, 158). 2 & ½. (A.M. 1).
0.58.4—Willynilly (Chao, 155); 2, Magog (Needa, 158); 3, Talkative

for his ability to get off the mark quickly, and as Vixen Tor is a speedy animal it will be a strong contender at the finish. Derby Day is undoubtedly the best choice here, and if it gets off to a good start it will probably win, otherwise I fancy Cockleroi or King's Privilege. I am afraid that Blandford is too slow a starter, and I don't think Devonian can do better than secure third place.

CABRAMATTA HANDICAP: FROM THE TWO MILE POST ONCE ROUND AND IN

This race is confined to "C" Class Australian ponies, and an interesting struggle should be seen. Judging from its run in the Moonie Ponds Handicap over the mile at the last meeting, when it came in third to King's Privilege, I think A Great Time (Mr. T. Y. Woo) is due for a win, although penalised by another 12 lbs. Strathbannock (Mr. Black) came in third to Vixen Tor in the Coral Plate, and I think it will give a Great Time a good run. Macquarie River is very lightly treated, and I expect to see it do battle for third place with Twilight Star.

(Tao, 158). 1½ & 1. (A.M. 1).
Half Mile and 170 Yards

1.05.0 (record)—Desert Chief (Encarnacao, 161); 2, King's Warden (Needa, 161); 3, Bear Claw (Wei, 161). 2½ & 1. (A.M. 1).
1.06.2—Conquering Time (Pote-Hunt, 158); 2, Eve of Heaven (Marshall, 161); 3, Avon (Hearne, 161). 2 & 2. (A.M. 2).
1.07.2—Eve of Heaven (Marshall, 161); 2, Galveston Bay (Wei, 161); 3, Peaceful View (Pih, 161). 3 & 2. (A.M. 3).
1.09.4—Marksman (Wong, 158); 2, Guinness Time (Pote-Hunt, 158); 3, Magog (Needa, 158). 1½ & 2. (A.M. 2).
1.11.4—Desert Star (S. W. Pan, 155); 2, Dekko (P. Y. T. Wei, 161); 3, Guinness Time (C. Encarnacao, 158). Neck and head. (1st E.).

1.12.0—February Fourth (Encarnacao, 153); 2, Sea Horse (Proulx, 148); 3, Radium Star (Pih, 149). 2 and neck. (2nd E. 1).
Six Furlongs

1.23.4 (record)—Rose Elect (Encarnacao, 161); 2, Lilliber (Black, 161); 3, Blue Express (Poy, 161). Many & neck. (A.M. 1).
1.26.1—King's Warden (V. V. Needa, 161); 2, Humdrum Eve (H. C. Pih, 161); 3, Oak Bay (B. A. Proulx, 161). 2 and same (1st E.).
1.26.2—Hectic View (Pih, 148); 2, Jennifer (Proulx, 157); 3, Blue Diamond (Woo, 152). 1½ and 5 (2nd E. 1).

1.28.0—Blue Express (Encarnacao, 161); 2, Avon (Hearne, 161); 3, Galveston Bay (Wei, 161). 4 & ½. (A.M. 4).
1.28.3—Musketeer (Liang, 152); 2, Marksman (Wong, 158); 3, Oranje Boven (Encarnacao, 158). 2 & 3. (A.M. 1).
1.28.4—Avon (G. Treverton, 151); 2,



Peaceful View (K. I. Ip, 161); 3, Jennifer (R. M. Wood, 161). Neck and 2 (1st E.).
1.30.4—King Kong (Liang, 161); 2, Bressay (Hearne, 161); 3, Guinness Time (Pote-Hunt, 158). Head & same. (A.M. 4).

1.32.0—Double Chance (Raymond, 161); 2, Valorous (Ip Kui Ying, 160); 3, Sylvandale (Coppin, 163). Neck and neck. (2nd E. 1).
1.34.2—Tribute (Tao, 156); 2, Racing Boy (Chanson, 155); 3, Meteor (Churchill, 161). ½ and neck. (2nd E. 1).

7 Furlongs 45 Yards
1.45.2—Red Feather (Wei, 161); 2, Moonlight View (Pih, 161); 3, Humdrum Eve (T. L. Wong, 161). 1½ & short head. (A.M. 4).

One Mile
1.55.1—Desert Chief (Encarnacao, 161); 2, King's Warden (Needa, 161); 3, Bear Claw (Black, 161). 3 & 2. (A.M. 2).

1.57.1—Hyndford Bridge (Needa, 158); 2, Jennifer (Black, 161); 3, Galaxy (Chao, 158). 1½ & 1½. (A.M. 2).

1.57.2—New Star (Marshall, 155); 2, Moonlight View (Pih, 144); 3, Humdrum Eve (T. L. Wong, 165). Short head, same. (A.M. 3).

1.57.4—Moonlight View (Pih, 157); 2, Rob Roy (Encarnacao, 165); 3, Conquering Time (Woo, 158). Short head and 1½. (2nd E. 1).
1.57.4—Galaxy (Chao, 158); 2, Avon (Wei, 156) and Gladiator (Tao, 153). 3 and dead heat. (2nd E. 1).

1.58.3—Lilliber (D. Black, 166); 2, Peaceful View (H. C. Pih, 158); English Cavalier (C. Encarnacao, 154). 3 and 1½ (A.M. 5).

2.01.1—Tampar Bay (Black, 168); 2, Scenic View (Pih, 147); 3, King's Lead (Needa, 142). Short head & short head. (A.M. 1).

2.01.2—King Kong (B. L. Tao, 155); 2, Strathbannock (D. Black, 154); 3, Musketeer (P. Y. T. Wei, 168). 2 and 4 (1st E.).

2.01.4—Rose Evelyn (Encarnacao, 165); 2, Bistre (Chanson, 160); 3, Salvage-Master (Tao, 165). 4 & 2. (A.M. 2).

2.01.4—Galaxy (Chao, 158); 2, Blue Diamond (Woo, 158); 3, Forgotten Star (Pan, 161). Neck & 1½. (A.M. 3).

2.04.0—Chatterbox (C. Encarnacao, 155); 2, February Fourth (T. L. Wong, 155); 3, Matador (S. C. Liang, 161). 2 and 2 (A.M. 5).

2.04.2—Oranje Boven (Encarnacao, 158); 2, Milleaye (Needa, 155); 3, Phoenix (Li, 155). 4 & neck. (A.M. 4).

2.04.4—This Time (Pote-Hunt, 158); 2, Tiny Tim (Proulx, 152); 3, Wild Bear (Pih, 152). 2 & 1. (A.M. 8).

2.05.2—Sylvandale (A. D. Coppin, 166); 2, Flybynight (Ho Hong-ping, 147); 3, Ebony Idol (Treverton, 140). Neck & neck (A.M. 4).

2.06.0—Starlet (P. L. Chiu, 158); 2, Sports Venture (C. Encarnacao, 158); 3, Wilber (D. Black, 152). ½ and 2. (A.M. 5).

2.06.1—Markman (T. L. Wong, 165); 2, Portrush (Encarnacao, 162); 3, Chatterbox (Tao, 156). 5 & neck. (A.M. 3).

2.09.3—Silver Star (B. L. Tao, 156); 2, Smiling Time (C. Encarnacao, 155); 3, Pall Mall (S. L. Yuen, 158). Neck and head. (1st E.).

1 Mile 171 Yards
1.59.4—Eve of Harvest (Marshall, 158); 2, Lilliber (Black, 161); 3, Peaceful View (Pih, 161). 3 & 1. (A.M. 4).

2.00.3—Honeycomb Eve (T. L. Wong, 161); 2, Just In Time (Pote-Hunt, 161); 4. (A.M. 4).

2.05.2—Bistre (Chanson, 155); 2, Dekko (Hearne, 155); 3, Desert Star (Needa, 160). 2 & 1. (A.M. 4).

2.07.4—Rob Roy (C. Encarnacao, 152); 2, King's Warden (V. V. Needa, 168); 3, Oak Bay (B. A. Proulx, 144). 1½ and 2½. (A.M. 5).

2.12.3—Phoenix (Chiu, 155); 2, Wild Bear (K. I. Ip, 152); 3, Geordie (Sadak, 155). ½ and 2 (2nd E. 1).

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Rapier's Selections For To-day

RACE NO. 1

ROSE ELECT
KING'S WARDEN
MOONLIGHT VIEW
Outsider:—Bear Claw.



RACE NO. 2

KING'S PRIVILEGE
CRIFFEL
AZTEC
Outsider:—Derby Day.

RACE NO. 3

ENGLISH CAVALIER
GALVESTON BAY
BLUE DIAMOND
Outsider:—Rose Emily.

RACE NO. 4

VALOROUS
CHATTERBOX
EBONY IDOL
Outsider:—Sylvandale.

RACE NO. 5

MURRUMBIDGEE
NATIONAL VICTORY
RUBY STAR
Outsider:—A. Roaring Time.

RACE NO. 6

SCENIC VIEW
KING'S LEAD
AMBERLEY
Outsider:—Laughing-Girl.

RACE NO. 7

TALKATIVE
SOME HOPE
BLAISDON
Outsider:—Kut Cheung.

RACE NO. 8

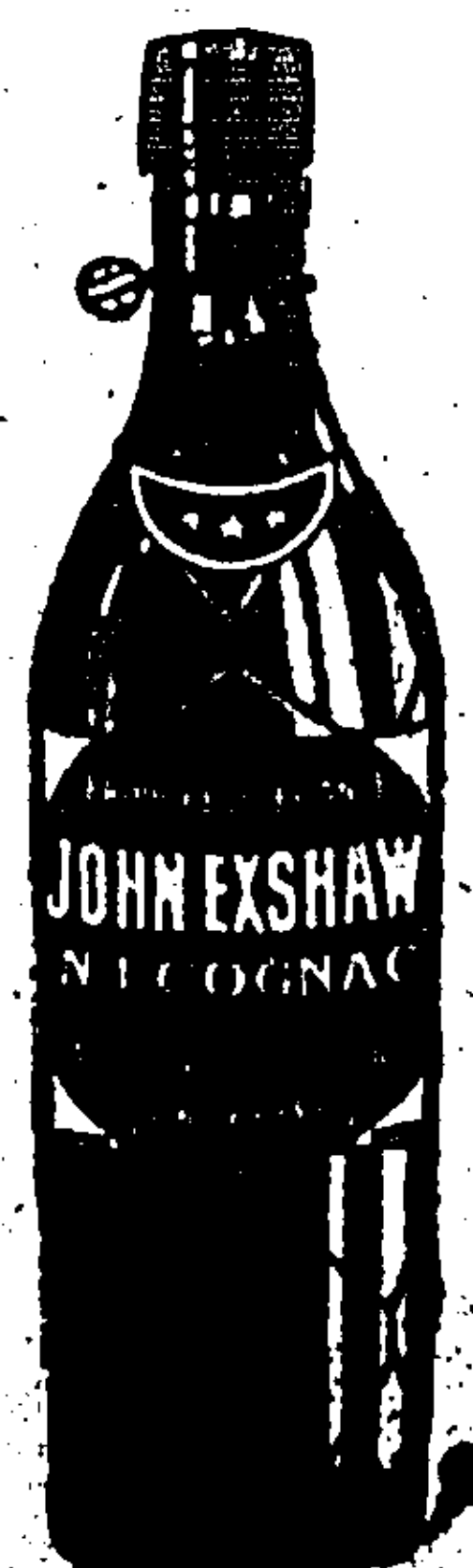
MURRAY RIVER
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RACE NO. 9

RACING BOY
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SILVER STAR
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TIME GUIDE

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- 2.13.0—Celtic Star (Wong, 158); 2, Musketeer (Liang, 152); 3, Cyclone (Chao, 161). Short-head & 2. (A.M. 2).
- 2.13.0—Just In Time (C. Encarnacao, 168); 2, Boolat Bay (H. J. A. Hearne, 168); 3, King's Lead (V. V. Needa, 144). ½ and 2. (A.M. 5).
- 2.18.0—Rose Jane (C. Encarnacao, 180); 2, Tampa Bay (D. Black, 168); 3, Scenic View (H. C. Pih, 146). Short head and 2. (A.M. 5).
- 2.17.2—Salvage Master (Tao, 165); 2, Double Chance (Needa, 168); 3, Dekko (Hearne, 166). 2 & same. (A.M. 8).
- 2.24.0—Rose Elect (Encarnacao, 161); 2, Desert Chief (Poy, 161); 3, King's Warden (Marshall, 161). 2 & 6. (A.M. 4).
- 2.26.1—Navy Light (Pih, 161); 2, Eve of Harvest (Marshall, 158); 3, Conquering Time (Pote-Hunt, 158). many & 3. (A.M. 1).
- 2.28.0—Wild Life (Wei, 145); 2, Rob Roy (Encarnacao, 152); 3, New Star (Marshall, 152). ½ & 1. (A.M. 2).
- 2.28.2—Rose Elect (C. Encarnacao, 168); 2, Moonlight View (H. C. Pih, 140); 3, Red Feather (D. Black, 140). 6 and 3. (1st E.).
- 2.30.2—Hyndford Bridge (Needa, 163); 2, Conquering Time (Pote-Hunt, 163). ½ length. (A.M. 3).
- 2.32.8—Silkylight (Pote-Hunt, 163); 2, King's Warden (Needa, 161); 3, Wild Life (Black, 163). 6 & 8. (A.M. 3).
- 2.33.3—Marksman (V. V. Needa, 158); 2, Celtic Star (T. L. Wong, 158); 3, Oranje Boven (C. Encarnacao, 158). 2½ and ½. (A.M. 5).
- 2.34.3—Rose Jane (C. Encarnacao, 152); 2, Tampa Bay (D. Black, 161); 3, Scenic View (H. C. Pih, 140). 1½ and 1 (1st E.).
- 2.36.0—Marksman (Needa, 165); 2, Rose Evelyn (Encarnacao, 168); 3, Celtic Star (Tao, 159). 1½ and 2 (2nd E. 1).
- 2.38.4—Celtic Star (T. L. Wong, 158); 2, Oranje Boven (Encarnacao, 158); 3, National Honour (Chanson, 158). 2 & many. (A.M. 3).
- 2.55.4 (record)—Rose Elect (Encarnacao, 161), 2, Navy Light (Pih, 161); 3, Eve of Harvest (Marshall, 158). Many & many. (A.M. 2).
- 3.04.1—Silkylight (Pote-Hunt, 161); 2, Moonlight View (Wong, 161); 3, Red Feather (Wei, 161). 3 & 8. (A.M. 1).
- 3.28.0—Celtic Star (Marshall, 158) and Marksman (T. L. Wong, 158) dead-heated for first; 3, February Fourth (Liang, 155). Dead heat & 4. (A.M. 4).
- 8.40.3—Silkylight (Pote-Hunt, 161); 2, Red Feather (Wei, 161). Many. 2 starters only. (A.M. 2).
- AUSTRALIAN PONIES**
- 1.18.3—Vixen Tor (Proulx, 152); 2, Criffel (Needa, 155); 3, Strathcarrick (Gregory, 145). 3 & head. (A.M. 3).
- 1.19.1—Cockleroi (Needa, 152); 2, Devonian (Hearne, 155); 3, Triumphant Day (Tao, 156). Neck & 2. (A.M. 1).
- 1.20.2—Rising Star (Raymond, 147); 2, Murrumbidgee (Black, 143); 3, Amber II (Ip Kui Ying, 144). 1½ and 6. (2nd E. 1).
- 1.22.0—Victory Day (Tao, 156); 2, Rivulet (Pih, 152); 3, Rising Star (Marshall, 152). Short head & 2. (A.M. 1).
- Half Mile 170 Yards**
- 1.01.3—Bredon (B. A. Proulx, 155); 2, A Great Time (V. V. Needa, 152); 3, Strathcarrick (C. L. Gregory, 152). 8 and 2. (A.M. 5).
- 1.03.0—Sydney Lad (Proulx, 155); 2, Victory Day (Tao, 152); 3, Rising Star (Marshall, 152). ½ & 2. (A.M. 3).
- One Mile**
- 1.46.2—Lancashire Chips (Wei, 147); 3, Lucky Lad (Needa, 152); 3, Double Finesse (Woo, 140). 3 and 5. (2nd E. 1).
- 1.46.3—Blandford (Poy, 147); 2, Snowy River (Hearne, 146); 3, Vixen Tor (Proulx, 149). Neck & ½. (A.M. 1).
- 1.47.2—King's Privilege (V. V. Needa, 146); 2, Criffel (B. A. Proulx, 155); 3, A Great Time (T. Y. Woo, 150). ½ and short head. (1st E.).
- 1.49.2—Rivulet (Pih, 152); 2, Laffat-Thet (Happy Landings) (Da-



Miss Dorothy Paget's Kilstar, favourite for the Grand National recently run at Aintree, only came third, being beaten in the home stretch. Above it is seen training just before the big classic. (Copyright, Fox).

Ouimet's Victory

By BEST BALL

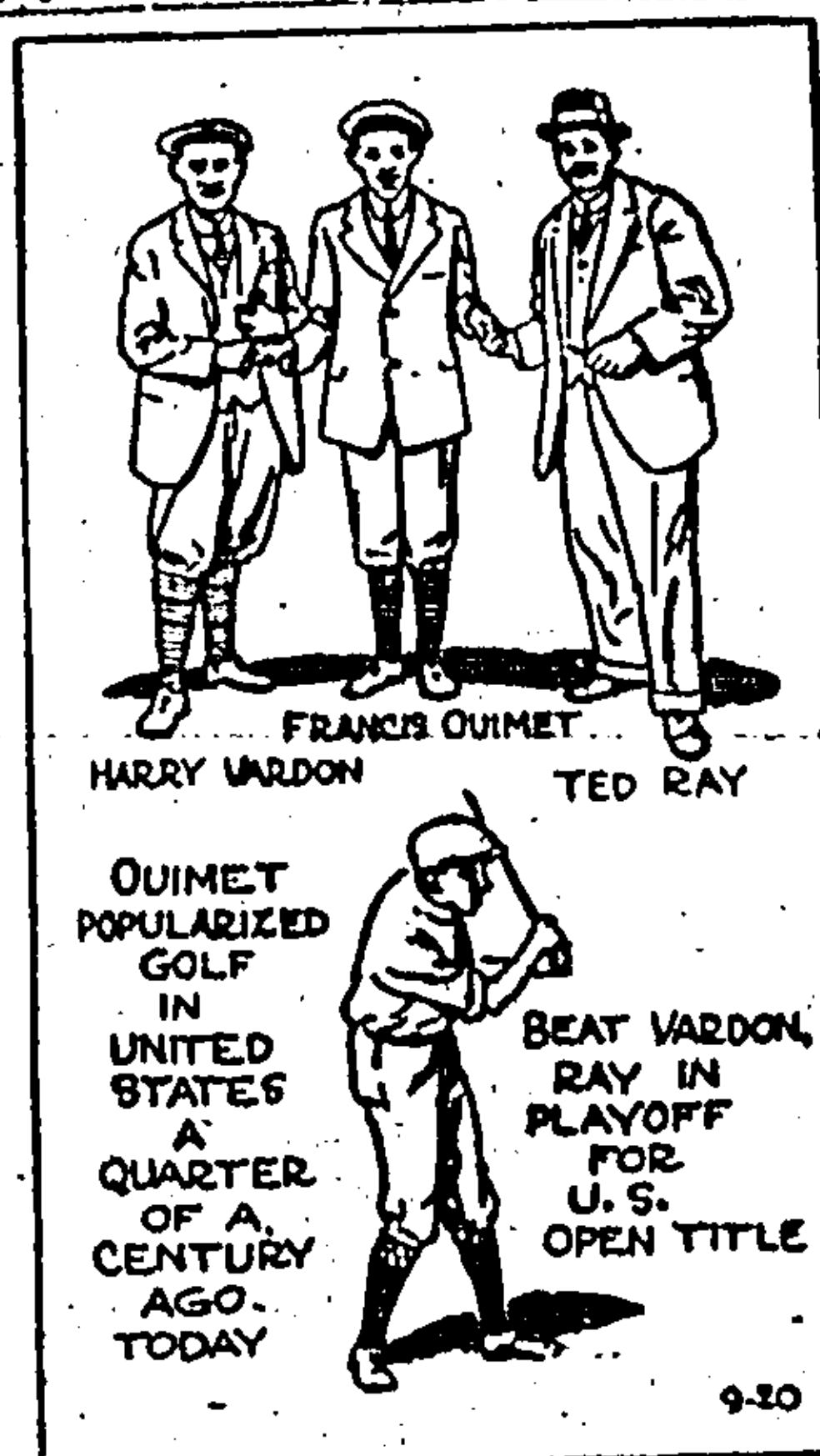
When news that Francis Ouimet, a young New England lad still in his teens, had won the United States Open title was flashed to the world twenty-five years ago, sports minded fans, throughout the United States, began to wake up as to the possibilities of the game. Previous to this victory England had quite dominated the golfing picture. Golf itself was considered an old man's game in the United States. That a youth could beat such renowned golfers as Vardon and Ray was considered almost impossible. Yet so amazingly did Ouimet's victory catch on that youngsters throughout the country began to take up the game.

Ouimet's victory was no flash-in-the-pan performance as he subsequently proved. Ever since he was a small lad living next to the Brookline Country Club, he had played the game, striving to improve on a home made course with home made instruments. Gradually he added to his knowledge of the game and the quality of his implements. With a game firmly grounded in fundamentals under such adverse conditions, he did not crack when the pressure was on, but continued to play his game, scoring a 72 to Vardon's 77 and Ray's 78.

Wednesday—How Hard to Hit.

- via, 152); 3, Devonian (Hearne, 155). 1½ & 1¼. (A.M. 2).
- 1.49.3—Chiltern (C. Encarnacao, 155); 2, Devonian (D. Black, 155); 3, National Victory (S. W. Tang, 152). 1 and 2 (1st E.).
- 1.50.1—Candlelight (Pote-Hunt, 152); 2, Triumphant Day (Tao, 155); 3, King's Herald (Needa, 152). Many & 3. (A.M. 2).
- 1 Mile 171 Yards**
- 1.57.2—Lancashire Chips (Black, 152); 2, Able Amazon (Marshall, 155); 3, Snowy River (Hearne, 149). 2 and neck. (A.M. 4).
- 1¼ Miles**
- 2.14.3—Lucky Lad (Needa, 154); 2, Lancashire Chips (Black, 154); 3, Able Amazon (S. W. Tang, 154). Neck & 3. (A.M. 2).
- 2.15.3—Lucky Lad (V. V. Needa, 152); 2, Snowy River (P. Y. T. Wei, 149); 3, Lancashire Chips (D. Black, 152). neck and 1½. (A.M. 5).
- 2.20.0—Happy Landings (Davis, 152); 2, Devonian (Hearne, 155); 3, National Victory (Chanson, 152). 2 & 4. (A.M. 4).
- 1½ Miles**
- 2.49.0—Triumphant Day (Tao, 156); 2, Chiltern (Encarnacao, 155); 3, Cockleroi (Needa, 152). 8 & a head. (A.M. 3).

GRAPHIC GOLF



ENGLAND ELEVEN

The following have been selected to represent England in a trial game to be played against the Kumaon Rifles on the U.S.R.C. ground at 4.30 p.m. today:

Osman (R.A.O.C.); V. C. Bond Firth (Navy).

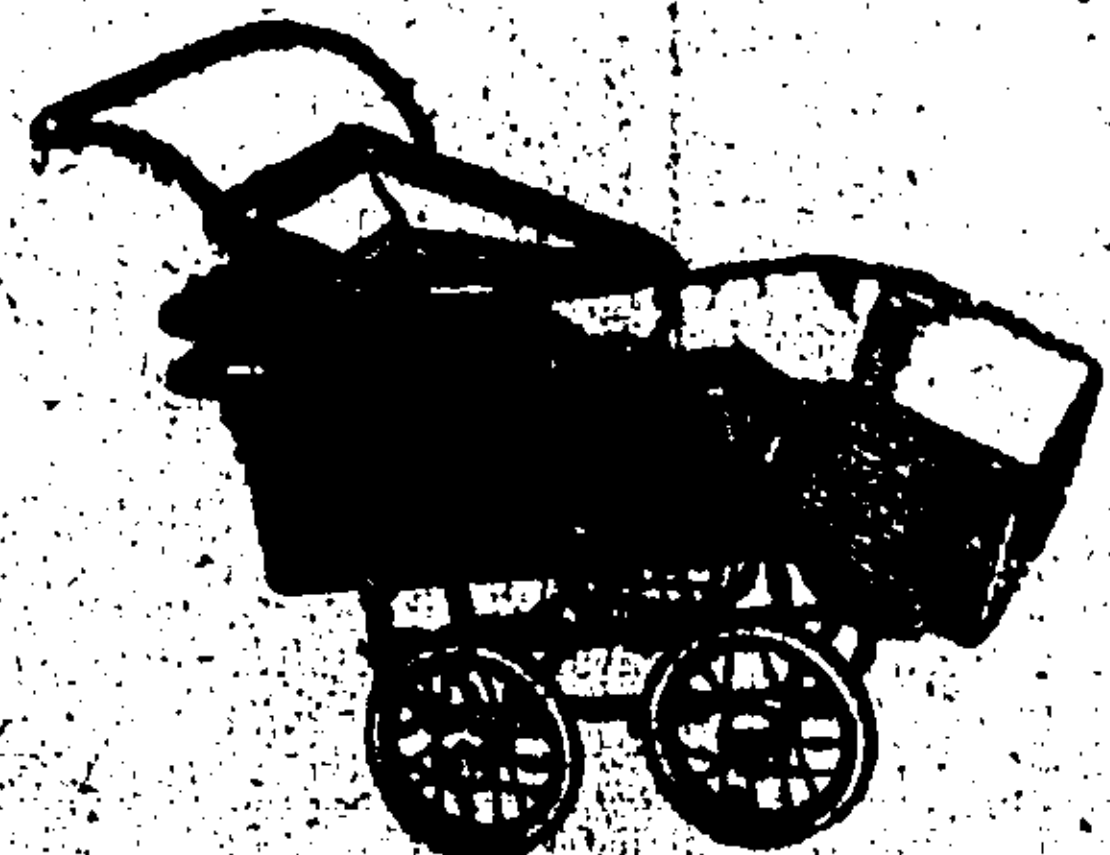
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HOCKEY

LADIES' SECOND VICTORY

Shanghai, Yesterday.

The Hong Kong ladies' hockey team beat the Rest of Shanghai by four goals to two to-day. The half time score was two-nil in favour of Shanghai.

Hong Kong recovered early in the second half, keeping the play always in the Shanghai half. Miss Harker scored twice for Hong Kong and Mrs. Read the remaining two goals, one coming a few minutes before the final whistle.—Reuter.

Hong Kong won the Interport match on Saturday in a fine display by 4 goals to nil.

There appears to have been some discrepancy as to who actually scored for Hong Kong. Reuter gave the scorers as Mrs. Read (2), Mrs. Dalziel and Miss Westcott. It is quite likely that this question will not be cleared up until the team returns.

Tributes To Mr. C.B. Hosking

Glowing tributes were paid to Mr. C. B. Hosking, Hon. Secretary of the Hong Kong Lawn Bowls Association, at the Kowloon Bowling Green Club yesterday on the occasion of various presentations which were made him in view of his forthcoming departure from the Colony.

Dr. J. T. Smalley, Vice-President of the H.K.L.B.A., presented Mr. Hosking with a set of woods on behalf of the Association, while two further gifts were presented by Mr. T. E. Robson, President of the Kowloon Bowling Green Club, on behalf of personal friends of Mr. Hosking in that Club.

Mr. Hosking, in neat speeches, expressed his thanks for the gifts. He said he hoped that one day he might be able to "wangle" his way back to Hong Kong.

In the course of the afternoon a farewell bowls match was played between teams captained by Mr. Hosking and Mr. Robson, respectively. Mr. Hosking's rink won by a large margin.

(Club), Carter (R.A.), Lt. Clayton (Navy), Lt. Hook (R.A.), Parker (Police), S. A. Fowler (Club), G. Fowler (C.B.A.), S. M. Ellis (8th A.A.), Marshall (R.A.), Pte. Dunne (Middlesex), Lt. Carr (Navy), Lt. Chattey (Middlesex), Bright (Middlesex), Lt. Ram (Navy), Lt. Gemmel (Navy) and Lt. (Club).

Personal Jottings

R. D. Gillespie, one of the hardest hitters ever to have played in the local Cricket League, left in the Boissevain for the United Kingdom via South Africa.

Harry Owen Hughes, Interport cricketer and skipper of Hong Kong Cricket Club during the season just concluding, has left for Home. He expects to get in quite a lot of cricket whilst on leave for his old team, the Incogniti.

Norman Bebbington, the Civil Service cricketer and lawn bowler, left London on March 24 and is due here towards the end of the month.

J. G. Cotesworth, the Club hockey player, proceeded on leave in the Antenor.

L. Guy, prominent Kowloon Bowling Green Club skip, was another sportsman who left in the Antenor.

During the absence on leave of Mrs. L. Jack, who leaves in the Glenbeg for Singapore to-day, en route to London, Mrs. A. J. Dennis will take charge of the Ladies' Section of the Kowloon Golf Club.

A. Zimmern, the Craigengower Cricket Club first eleven wicket-keeper batsman, has left the Government service and is now connected with the National Carbon Co.

H. U. Ireland, former golf champion of the Colony, left for the United Kingdom in the Antenor. Ireland has not taken part in competitive golf here for some time.

Capt. Whitmarsh, who has been one of the mainstays of Navy cricket during his stay here, played what will probably be his last game in the Colony on Saturday against Kowloon Cricket Club. He made 6 runs but bowled

fairly steadily to take 2 for 11. He is proceeding Home very shortly.

Despite an article in "The Cricketer" which stated that Lt. Manners, of H.M.S. Birmingham, would be in England for the cricket season, it is learned that he will be in these waters the entire Summer. It is also highly likely that he will be here for our next season.

R. A. J. Simpson, the Kowloon Cricket Club opening bowler, was unfortunate to miss the "needle" game with Police on Saturday which gave the mainland team the Junior Cricket Championship. He was taken ill and is now in Kowloon Hospital.

The annual hockey match between the Civilians and Combined Services will be held on Sunday, May 7.

Due to the annual Bisley meeting of the Hong Kong Rifle Association, the Hong Kong Hockey Association have further postponed their six-a-side tournament which will now be held on Sun-

day, April 30. Unfortunately, this date has been reserved for the Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps annual rifle meeting.

Mr. R. Henderson, Hon. Secretary of the Hong Kong Hockey Association, will be leaving the Colony for Home within the next month and his duties will in all probability be assumed by Mr. G. T. Palmer who has acted in that capacity before.

Annesley Keown, one of the most promising swimmers and badminton players in the Colony, who has also turned out for the Hong Kong Football Club in the Football, left for the United Kingdom in the Chitral to further his studies.

It is learned that there is a strong possibility that Kowloon Tong Club, who did so well in the Third Division of the Lawn Bowls League last season, will be promoted to the Second Division for the coming season. In charge of their activities this year will be that seasoned player, H. Gittins.

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Kotewall Cup Clash To-Day

CHINESE FAVOURED TO BEAT ARMY

The second game of the Kotewall Charity Cup Competition will be played this afternoon at 4 p.m. at Causeway Bay when 'Army' meet South China.

The Chinese will be led by Lee Wai-tong though it is doubtful whether Mak Shui-hon will be able to play as he was an absentee in Saturday's shield game, being ill with fever. In this event, Lee Kwok-wai will be seen at left back with Kwok Ying-kee in the intermediate line.

Several new players in representative soccer will be seen in the Army line-up especially in the intermediate line. Shaw, of the Engineers, will occupy the pivotal position and will be supported by May, of the Royal Artillery, and Rides, of the Ordnance, as his wing halves.

In the forward line Emberson and Courtney, both selected players for Manila at the end of the month, will form the right-wing combination, while Saw and Duffield, who have played together, before, will be on the left-wing.

The following are the teams:—

Army: Duncan (Royal Scots); Fraser (Royal Scots) and Sheehan (Middlesex); Rides (Ordnance Corps), Shaw (R.E.) and May (R.A.); Emberson (Ordnance Corps), Courtney (Middlesex), Calvert (R.A.), Saw (Middlesex) and Duffield (Ordnance Corps).

Reserves: Moxham (R.E.), Corbin (R.A.), Wilkinson (Middlesex), Guy (R.A.), Flanders (R.A.), McDonald (R. Scots) and Lang (Ordnance Corps).

South China: Pau Ka-ping; Lee Tinsang and Mak Shui-hon; Lau Hing-choi, Leung Wing-chiu and Lee Kwok-wai; Tang Kwong-sum, Fung King-cheong, Lee Wai-tong, Lai Shiu-wing and Lau Tau-man.

Football Rules Amendment

THE OBSTRUCTION BUGBEAR

(By AIR MAIL)

Obstruction in football was discussed by the English Football Association Council at their meeting in London.

They adopted a proposal of the Rules Revision Committee that the word "deliberately" be deleted from Law 7 in the following clause:

"A player shall be penalised if he charges in a violent or dangerous manner, or charges an opponent from behind, unless the latter be deliberately obstructing."

The Council also decided to insert the words "The ball is within playing distance," after the word "fair" in the paragraph: "This is not intended to penalise all charging; it is permissible as long as, in the opinion of the referee, it is fair, and the players concerned are attempting to play the ball."

ANOTHER PROPOSAL

Another proposal of the Rules Revision Committee adopted by the Council is the insertion of "ungentlemanly conduct" among the offences for which a player shall be penalised by an indirect free kick, whether the offence takes

Eastman May 'Blaze' Again

"Blazing" Ben Eastman, once the greatest middle-distance runner in the world, and holder of a whole string of records (he still has the quarter-mile figures of 46.4sec.) is confronted just now with the question whether he should run or not, says New Zealand "Sports Post."

Eastman has not raced for two years, not since he missed a berth on the American Olympic team of 1936—a failure which confounded himself and the critics.

But he's barely 26 now, and physically he should be right in his prime. A two-year lay-off at his age is not terribly serious. Anyway, he would like to come back.

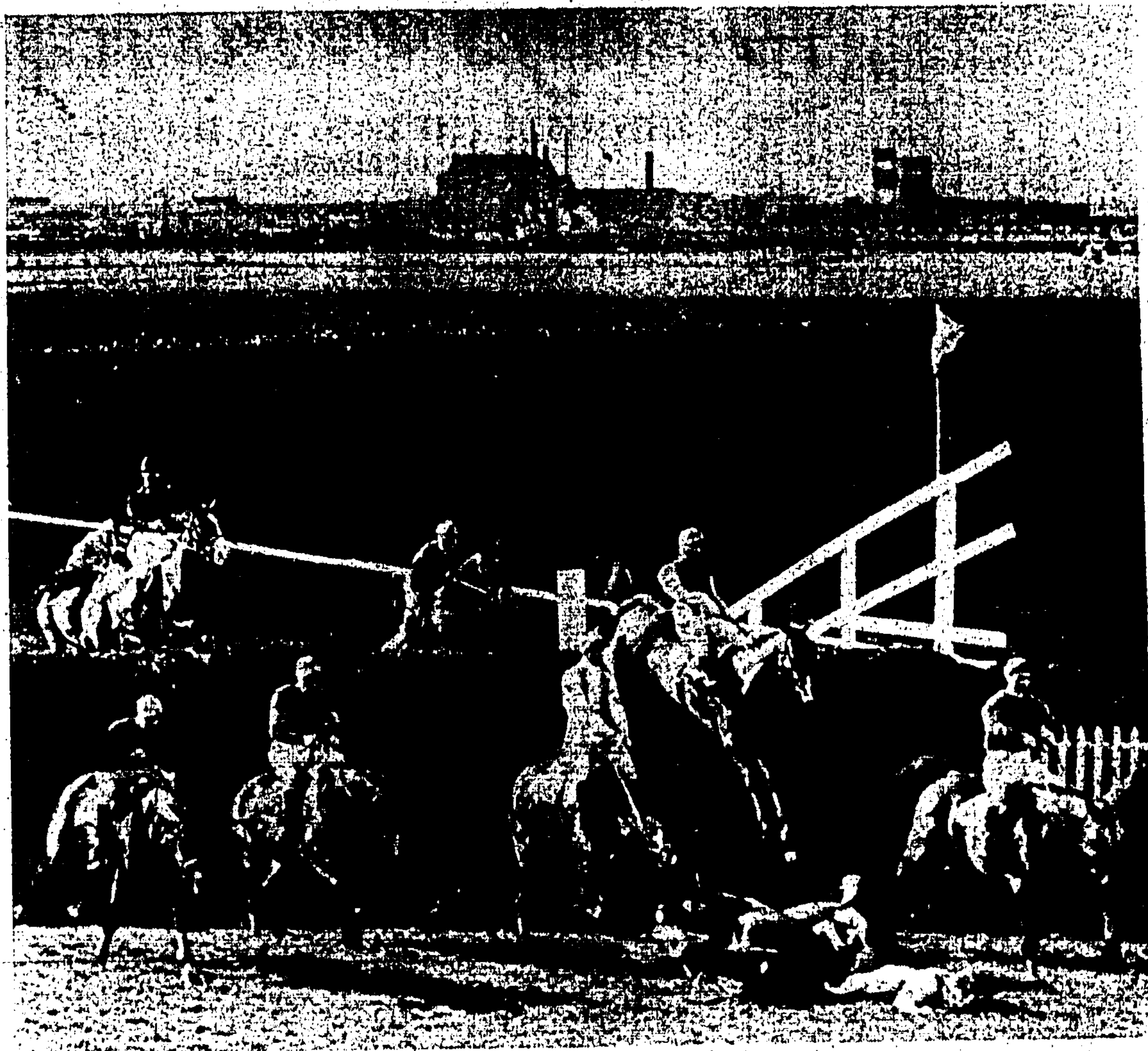
IRONING OUT KINKS

A product of Stanford University, California, Eastman is now living in New York, and for some weeks has been working out in that city. When the last mail left America he had not had a serious run, but he was rapidly ironing out the kinks of idleness.

"If I was sure I could get into shape again," he says, "I wouldn't hesitate about coming back. I'd like to try, anyway. But I am certainly not going to make a fool of myself. You can be sure of that."

place inside or outside the penalty area.

These alterations, before becoming law, must pass the Football Association annual general meeting and the International Board.



"Workman" the second favourite in the Grand National Steeplechase held at Aintree, Liverpool, finished first at 100-8, with Macmoffat second and Kilstar, the favourite, third. Only eight horses finished the course. Photo shows—The field taking Beecher's Brook on the first time round. Showing Royal Danielli (No. 2) after falling with his jockey seen pinned underneath. (Copyright, Fox).

DANAHAR'S FIRST FIGHT AS WELTER-WEIGHT

Arthur Danahar (Bethnal Green) is to have his first fight as a welter-weight against Harry Craster (Middlesbrough) at Harringay on April 13. He has been matched to meet Craster over eight rounds at 10st 7lbs in the chief supporting bout to the Tommy Farr-Red Burman contest.

Danahar decided to fight in future as a welter-weight following his unsuccessful bid to capture Eric Boon's lightweight championship.

ENGLISH CUP FINAL REFEREE

(By AIR MAIL)

Mr. T. Thompson (Northumberland) will referee the English Cup final between Portsmouth and Wolverhampton Wanderers at Wembley on April 29. The appointment was made by the F.A. Council in London.

If a replay is necessary, it will take place on Tottenham Hotspur F.C.'s ground on Wednesday, May 3.

MOULSON "STILL POORLY"

Moulson, the Grimsby Town goalkeeper, who was injured in the Cup semi-final tie against Wolverhampton Wanderers at Manchester, was stated at the Manchester Royal Infirmary to be "still poorly," but "quite comfortable."

Pro. Lawn Tennis

COCHET NARROWLY BEATS MASKELL

(By AIR MAIL)

Dan Maskell, the British Davis Cup coach, and the only Britisher in the event, missed by a single point what would have been the best victory of his career in the £1500 Professional Lawn Tennis Tournament, at Olympia, London.

Playing Henri Cochet, the Frenchman, who was Wimbledon champion in 1927 and 1929, Maskell reached 5-4 and match-point in the final set. One more point would have given him a great win, but then Cochet made a brilliant backhand passing shot, drew up to 5-all, and won the set at 8-6, for the match at 9-7, 3-6, 8-6.

HIS BEST FORM

Maskell never had a chance after Cochet had levelled, but he showed his best form in the earlier sets. His advances to the net robbed Cochet of some of his confidence, particularly in the first set, when Maskell scored down both sides of the court.

An exhibition of terrific serving and smashing enabled W. Tilden, the American, to beat J. Kozeluh (Czecho-Slovakia) in just over a quarter of an hour, 6-0, 6-1. Tilden's shots left Kozeluh helpless on the base-line, and on many occasions the Czech could not get even near the ball. This was Tilden's third singles win, and at the moment he has the best record in the tournament.

In the doubles, H. Nusslein and Maskell beat G. Palmieri and Kozeluh, 6-0, 7-6.

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12.30 p.m.—Mozart—Serenade in D Major and other Compositions.
Overture "Cosi Fan Tutte".... The B.B.C. Symphony Orchestra cond. by Sir Adrian Boult.
"The Marriage of Figaro"—The Letter Duet.... Viorica Ursuleac (Soprano) and Erna Berger (Soprano) with Orchestra.
"Don Juan"—Give me thy hand, O fairest.... Erna Berger (Soprano) and Heinrich Schlusnus (Baritone) with Orchestra.
Serenade in D Major, K.239 (Serenata Notturna).... The Adolf Busch Chamber Players directed and lead by Adolf Busch.
"Idomeneo"—Sanfte Winde, folget dem Teuren.... Vera Schwarz (Soprano) with Orchestra.
1.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Weather Report.
1.03 p.m.—Latest Variety Numbers.
Dance Orch.—You Started Something—Fox-Trot.
If This Is Only The Beginning—Fox-Trot.... Billy Ternent's Rhythm with Vocal Refrain.
Musical Comedy—Yes Madam.
Intro: The Girl the Soldier Always Leaves Behind; What Are You Going to Do.... Vera Pearce (Comedienne) Binnie Hale and Bobby Howes with The Hippodrome Theatre Orchestra.
Dance Orch.—Spider of the Night—Tango.
Madame, You're Lovely—Tango.... Mantovani and His Tipica Orch.

Piano Duet—Stars And Stripes (Sousa, arr. Rawicz & Landauer).
Washington Post (Sousa, arr. Rawicz and Landauer).... Rawicz and Landauer.
Dance Orch.—Lillian—Fox-Trot.
Ferdinand The Bull—Fox-Trot (from the film).... Horace Heidt and His Brigadiers with Vocal by The Three Kings.
1.30 p.m.—Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.
1.40 p.m.—Selections from Gilbert and Sullivan's "Patience".
Overture.... Symphony Orchestra cond. by Malcolm Sargent.
Twenty Lovesick Maidens We.... Nellie Briarcliffe, Rita Mackay and Chorus of Girls with Orchestra.
Recit.: Still Brooding On Their Mad Infatuation; I Cannot Tell What This Love May Be.... W. Lawson, N. Briarcliffe, M. Eyre and Chorus of Girls with Orchestra.
The Soldiers of Our Queen; If You Want a Receipt for That Popular Mystery.... Darrell Fancourt and Chorus of Dragoons with Orch.
1.57 p.m.—Tino Rossi, Lucienne Boyer and the Orchestra Raymonde.
Orient Express (G. Mohr); Taming The Tiger (La Rocca).... Orchestra Raymonde cond. by G. Walter.
Si Tu Le Voulaix (Fosti-Vacaresco); Paradis Du Reve (Fysher-Richpin).... Tino Rossi (Vocal) with

Orchestra.
The Merry Middles (Brooke)....
Xylophone Duet by W. W. Bennett and Ernst Slaney accomp. by the Bournemouth Municipal Orch.
Dance Of The Merry Mascots (Ketelbey).... Orchestra Raymonde.
Viens Danser Quand Meme (Jambian and Delettre); Solitude (Laurent and Carcel).... Lucienne Boyer (Vocal) with Orchestra.
Song Of The Vagabonds (from "The Vagabond King"—Friml); Only A Rose (from "The Vagabond King"—Friml).... Orchestra Raymonde cond. by G. Walter.
2.30 p.m.—Close down.
6 p.m.—"For the Children".
Nursery Rhymes. Intro: Goosey, Goosey, Gander; Twinkle, twinkle, little star; Three Blind Mice; See-saw Marjory Daw; Little Tommy Tucker; What have you got for dinner, Mrs. Bond; London Bridge is broken down.... Uncle George's Party with Orchestra.
The Adventures Of Careless Carrie and Wilful William.... Uncle Charlie & Company with Orchestra and Effects.
Little Man, You've Had A Busy Day (Sigler, Hoffman & Wayne).... Les Allen with Mrs. Allen and Norman. Sidney Torch at the Organ.
6.30 p.m.—Duke Ellington & His Orchestra.
Fox-Trots—I'm Satisfied; Sump'n 'Bout Rhythm; Rockin In Rhythm; Jazz Convulsions; Truckin' (from "Cotton Club Parade").
6.45 p.m.—London Relay—Music-Hall.
Elsie Carlisle (The Popular Radio Star), Arthur Tracy (The Street Singer), Norman Long (A Song, a Joke, and a Piano) and The B.B.C. Variety Orchestra conducted by Charles Shadwell. Presented by John Sharman.
7.50 p.m.—Reginald Foort at the Organ.
Second Serenade (Heykens).
In A Monastery Garden (Ketelbey).
Sleep, My Little One (Hautzik-Riesefeld).
8 p.m.—Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.
8.02 p.m.—Moskowsky—"From Foreign

Lands" Suite. Berlin State Opera Orchestra conducted by Clemens Schmalstich.
8.15 p.m.—London Relay—"George And The Dragon" by Dennis Parry. Characters: The Clerk of the Court; George Greengage; P. C. Evans; The Senior Magistrate; Mr. Hunter; Lord Power Fingleton; Ted; Arry; Landlord; Esme Phipps; Frankie Willock. The Production by Howard Rose.
9 p.m.—The B.B.C. Wireless Military Band.
Vanity Fair—Overture (Percy E. Fletcher); Malaguena (from "Boabdil") (Moskowsky—arr. Iako); La Tarantelle De Belphegor (Roch Albert).... conducted by Walton O'Connell.
9.15 p.m.—London Relay—The News.
9.30 p.m.—Violin Solos by Temianka. Rondo In A Major (Schubert).
9.45 p.m.—London Relay—Market Notes and Sports News.
9.50 p.m.—Songs by Paul Robeson (Bass).
Sometimes I Feel Like A Motherless Child (arr. L. Brown); Poem (Minstrel Man—Langston Hughes).... with Piano accomp. by Lawrence Brown.
Lazin' (film "Big Fella"); You Didn't Oughta Do Such Things (film "Big Fella").... with Orchestra cond. by Eric Ansell.
10 p.m.—London Relay—"In Town Tonight". Edited and produced by C. F. Meehan.
10.30 p.m.—Dance Music.
Slow Fox-Trot—Black And Tan Fantasy; Fox-Trot—Black Beauty.... Duke Ellington & His Orch.
Slow Fox-Trot—You're Not The Kind; Fox-Trot—Take My Heart.... Carroll Gibbons and the Savoy Hotel Orpheans with Vocal Chorus.
Tango—Beside My Caravan; Waltz—One Life, One Love.... The B.B.C. Dance Orchestra directed by Henry Hall with Vocal Chorus.
Fox-Trots—I Got A Kick Out Of You (film "Anything Goes"); Anything Goes (from the film).... Ambrose & His Orchestra with Vocal Refrain.
Fox-Trot—All Through The Night (film "Anything Goes").... Ambrose & His Orchestra with Vocal Refrain.
11 p.m.—Close down.

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Mr. Jerry Nathan, a student at Cornell University, submitted to-

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day's hand. The contract was four diamonds, with South as Declarer, and he and his partner went down one trick. However, Mr. Nathan gives a very interesting double-dummy solution as to how it can be made, which is as follows:

The Queen of spades is opened. North plays the King and East the Ace. South trumps, lays down the Ace of diamonds, plays the Ace and Queen of hearts. West is in with the King and probably leads the Jack of spades (other variations work out the same however). Declarer trumps in his own hand, trumps a heart in dummy, leads a club, wins with the Ace in his own hand, trumps the last heart in dummy, plays the nine of spades, and discards a losing club. West wins with the ten of spades for his second trick, and now must either lead away from his Queen of diamonds or play a fourth spade, either lead allowing Declarer to eliminate one loser and make his four diamond

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David Bruce Burnstone was your partner yesterday. Both sides were vulnerable and you held:

♠ A Q 7 5 4 3 2
♥ x
♦ x x
♣ x x x

The bidding:

You	Jacoby	Burnstone	Maier
1♠	Pass	2♥	Pass
2♠	Pass	3♥	Pass
(?)			

ANSWER: Your correct bid is to pass. Your partner's bidding clearly shows that he does not like spades and, while you have a seven-card suit, there is no body to it. It is perfectly possible that the opponent in back of you holds the K-J-10-9. While three hearts does not look like a good contract to you, you are not doubled and a further bid may get you into trouble.

Score 100% for pass, 60% for three spades (you do have a 7-card suit), 20% for four spades (it is just possible that your partner may have some hand which will give you a play for four spades), 0 for any other bid.

QUESTION NO. 89

Neither side is vulnerable. You are Oswald Jacoby's partner and hold:

♠ A Q 10 x x
♥ x x x
♦ A x
♣ x x x x

The bidding:

You	Schenken	Jacoby	Maier
1♠	Pass	3♥	4♦
(?)			

What do you bid? (Answer tomorrow.)

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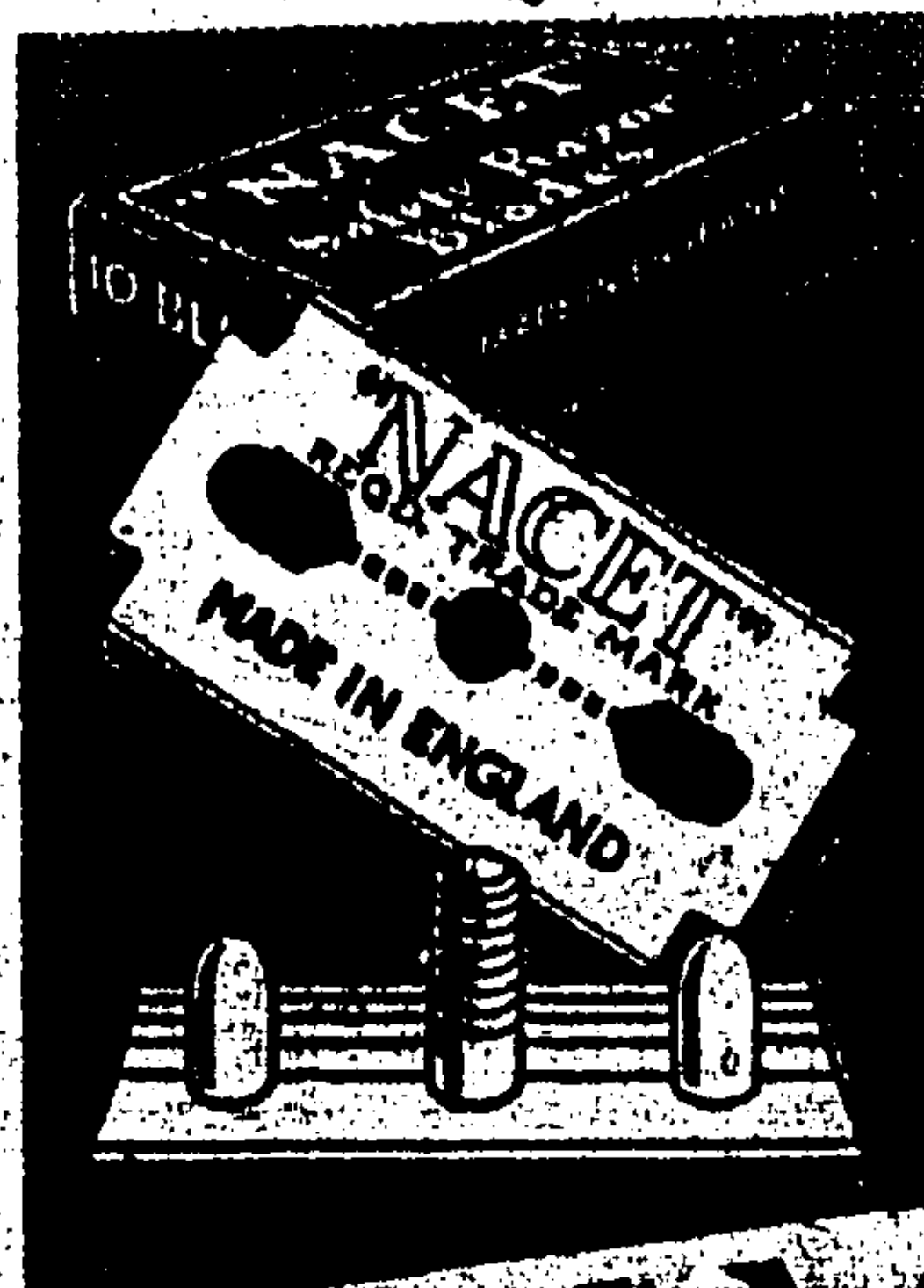
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FIFTH MEMBER OF LOAN ARRIVES IN H.K.

The "China Mail" learns authoritatively that Mr. C. Rodgers, Adviser to the Ministry of Finance of the Central Government of China, has been appointed fifth member of the £10,000,000 British Stabilisation Loan Committee in Hong Kong.

The other four members are the General Managers of the local branches of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, the Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China, the Bank of Communications and the Bank of China.

Mr. Rodgers, who is also an official of the Bank of England, arrived in the Colony from London last evening on the Imperial Airways plane, and was in conference with bank officials this morning.

It will be recalled that Hong Kong Banking Corporation subscribed £3,000,000, the Chartered Bank, £2,000,000, the Bank of Communications and the Bank of China the balance £5,000,000, of the Stabilisation Fund.

AXIS PLOTTING

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Turkey would be ready to accept.

There is no hint as yet to the attitude of Yugo-Slavia and Greece.

WILLIAMSON SHIP "DIVERTED" BY JAPANESE

The "China Mail" Swatow Correspondent reported last night that a British merchant vessel was seized by the Japanese off the Fukien Coast on Saturday when the ship was proceeding northwards from Amoy to Foochow.

It was also added that a British gunboat was despatched from Swatow to negotiate for the release of the boat.

In an official statement this morning the local naval authorities stated:

"The s.s. Sagres of the Kin Hong Steamship Company, was diverted by the Japanese into Baku for verification of right to fly the British flag.

"H.M.S. Thracian was immediately sent from Swatow to obtain release and to protest.

"Diplomatic negotiations will follow."

Referring to a possible British guarantee to Greece, the newspapers say this would imply a British naval base on Corfu, fortification of the island which commands the exit of the Adriatic, and occupation of strategically important positions in Greece.

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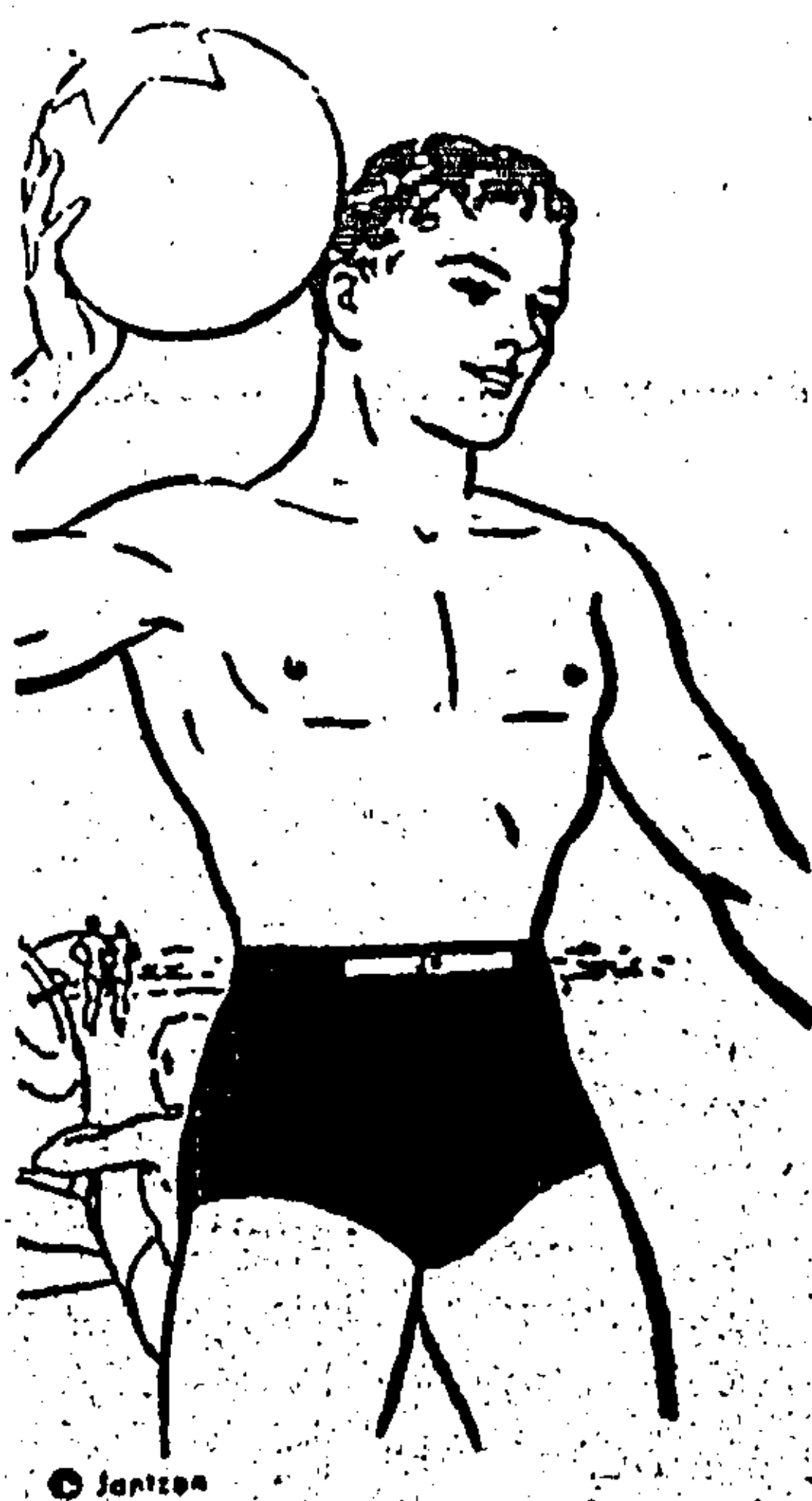
The ship had loaded salt in Chuan Bay near Amoy and was proceeding to Sharp Peak at Foochow when it was stopped and "taken into custody" to Baku, in the Pescadores.

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